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DEDICATION

I cannot help mentioning that although my name is on the cover of this book, the true author is God.

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FOREWORD

The Christian life thrives on knowledge of the many rich principles God by His generosity and great love has made accessible to His children. Jesus said the truth you know is what will set you free. In the context, Jesus was not referring to head or mental knowledge but what you have practiced or obeyed faithfully.

Throughout history, God has made known some truths which have served as roadmap for the genuine seekers of truth. This book, **God In Me**, is no doubt one of such revelations intended to equip and to guide the countless believers who are being 'tossed to and fro and carried about with every wind of doctrine.' Their lives are off course because they lack knowledge of the very basic truths that are fundamental to the Christian faith.

God did not pay the high price of the death of His *only begotten* Son to produce intimidated, weak, disillusioned and thrashed people. But as Jesus said in John 12:24 that in death, out of the one seed comes many seeds; the exact replication of His very self; Christ-like individuals imbued with God's own power to live victorious lives. This has been God's purpose for His people. Nevertheless, if a prince is ignorant of his royalty, he takes on the ordinary; thus, though very heart-rending, but, the fact is that many who profess the Christian faith have no resemblance of their true nature.

In this book, God has revealed some great fundamental truths from the Word of God to resource you. From the very beginning, the author

points out that though many people are only aware of and are caught up with life in this physical world, there is another reality. This is the unseen spiritual world which governs the earth. The happenings of the natural world which many term accidents are orchestrated by the spiritual world. This means that, the spiritually unseen world is more powerful than this physical world many people are preoccupied with.

The ability to connect your spirit man to the spiritual world as Jesus lived definitely gives you an edge here on earth. The author has detailed-profound truths and personal testimonies on how to develop your human spirit to perceive the spiritual world; how to train your soul to aid faith; conceive ideas in the realm of the spirit and draw them into manifestation physically.

Not only that, the five senses namely touch, taste, sight, smell and hearing which God endowed your body to perceive things in the natural can be developed for spiritual use. The author gave various instances these sensual organs picked up things God wanted him to do or know at some points in time. With these faculties under the power of the Holy Spirit, you can discern satanic agents and their ploys against you and other people. You will be enabled to decode secret codes and preempt the wicked agenda of the dark world against you and your loved ones.

He emphasized that among all these faculties, the ability to hear is paramount. He calls that the master key. Desire that your ears be opened to the voice of God. Jesus said his sheep hear His voice. There are many disadvantages when a person loses the use of any part of the

body. The known terminology is impairment. In the same way, you lose out should you fail to work on yourself by paying the right price to nurture and use these senses to profit you spiritually.

In this book you will know that being born again makes you a child of God; a position the author describes as ‘unique and special’. You will come to terms with the power God has invested in you to not only heal the sick and cast out devils, but to the extent of taking the Kingdom that belongs to His saints. You have power over all power that even Satan has. By this, you have been restored to God’s original position when He blessed man to have dominion and subdue the earth.

Brother Rich Akpalu makes reading of the book very easy by the detailed information backed by the intermittent, numerous personal testimonies. He also explained by relating some of the spiritual truths to normal life events and things. At the end of every chapter, he tabulated a summary of the main topics to refresh and remind you of what you have read.

I believe that this book is loaded with weighty principles and revelations for every child of God who desires to live as Jesus did. The author has essentially provided a lot more than money can buy and I pray that the Holy Spirit will help you find the answers you need from the pages of this book to sail through life triumphantly. God bless you!

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INTRODUCTION

The superb life our LORD Jesus Christ never cease to amaze me. There are a lot of admirable things when you think about the glorious life Jesus lived. What as the secret to His victorious life?

Our LORD Jesus, during his earthly days, always sought the TRUTH and lived by it. No wonder He is called Truth. At the age of twelve, He had intimate craving for the truth (divine knowledge). He stayed back at Jerusalem after the first Passover feast He attended. He did that not as a spectator to the celebration, as some boys would, neither was he left there because of the abundance of food and drink, but to learn and know the truth.

Years later, Jesus went through several trials and temptations from the wilderness to the cross and was victorious in all. Learning, knowing and being the truth, Jesus Christ was able to live a live void of misfortunes and accidents. He lived victoriously - living on the truth. Some of such truth Jesus Christ lived on is the understanding that physical events are mere manifestations of spiritual ones, knowledge of the sovereign power he had, and the awareness that the All-Mighty God dwelled in him. Do you also know that God is in you?

The life of Christ Jesus our LORD is an example of what our lives ought to be as children of God. Like Jesus, our lives ought to be without accidents, misfortunes and satanic oppression. We must live our new life in Christ with supernatural victories.

Unfortunately, this hasn't been the biography of many believers who appear to be victimized in life. Their lives contradict their status as children of the most high God. I am not trying to say that there are no confrontations in life. Challenges abound; but by our faith, we overcome the world. And in Christ, we are more than conquerors.

The LORD says, "*My people* are destroyed for lack of knowledge." (Hosea 4:6) Many Christians are victimized, weak, and beggarly because of their ignorance; they do not know who they are. They could not see themselves as the original children of God. They do not know that the All-Mighty God now dwells in them just as He was in Jesus. (John 14:10)

In this Bible commentary, I wish to share with you the revelation the LORD has given me of who we are in Him; and that He dwells in us. God dwells in us. Also from this book, you will SEE the power Christ Jesus gave you in Luke 10:19; power over all the power of Satan. It is my prayer that through reading this book, you will come to the true knowledge of your identity, heritage, and your inherent victories in Christ.

Read amidst prayer and your life will never be the same! My only appeal to you is that do not keep this message all to yourself; let someone else read it.

Chapter 1

NO ACCIDENT

There is no "accident." Everything that happens in the physical world is only a manifestation of spiritual plans and events.

In this world, a word like "accident" does exist, but not in the Kingdom of God. And I am glad to remind you that once born again, you already are in the Kingdom of God. (See Colossians 1:13) It is unfortunate, however, that believers of today do not only accepted the word 'accident' to exist in their dictionaries, but in their lives too.

That is not the life you are called to live. In your new life, there is no accident. You can know everything before it happens and nothing should take you by surprise. Harold Hill said, "If all things are of God, as God says in 2 Corinthians 5:18, nothing accidental happens to the Christian." And it is true.

TWO DIMENSIONS OF LIFE

To understand this truth that no 'bad' event is an accident, we need to identify the realms from which we experience life – the two dimensions of life.

As you may have known, man is a tripartite being made of spirit, soul and body. Accordingly, man lives in a two-fold world. The first is the **spiritual world**. As spirits, this is where we naturally are. Our spirits live and operate in the spirit realm. It is true that every one of us is a spirit; and this awareness makes it easy to understand that we live in a spiritual world.

The soul also comprises of the 'will,' 'mind,' and 'emotion.' But as the soul is one with the spirit, it does not exist in a separate world. The soul basically is the means by which our spirits express themselves and our bodies (senses) react.

There also is a **physical world**. This encompasses everything visible to the eye and comprehensible to the other sense organs. Where all flesh exist is called the physical world.

Every one of us lives in these two dimensions (spiritual and physical) whether we are conscious of it or not. Someone would ask, "How could this be?" There were times I did physically arduous works (physical); at the same time kept imagining and thinking (i.e. using the soul). [This reduces stress especially when you think on noble things.]

There are several means by which you operate in the spirit realm. Because you are spirit, you are <u>constantly</u> present in the spirit realm.

However, the spiritual life may not be apparent to you until perhaps you find yourself in a dream, trance or vision.

Summarily, we are spirits living in a spiritual world, but do exist physically (in our bodies) in a physical world. And this awareness is important because it is the basis of life. It is the key to understanding the fact that every physical event is just a manifestation of spiritual events. Keep this truth if you will live victoriously like Jesus Christ.

MERE MANIFESTATIONS

When something 'unfortunate' happens, people always refer to it as an 'accident.' Then they try to find a natural reason they may attribute it to. We may say the driver dosed off or was drunk and that is what resulted in the car crash; because of someone's eating habit, he or she suffered a certain disease. Nonetheless, the major causative factor is the invisible spiritual world. **Every natural occurrence is first conceived in the spirit realm.** After conception, delivery is next.

Just like a woman conceives a baby hidden in the womb, but brings forth on the day she is delivered, so is a natural event when it happens. It is the day of delivery.

There is no accident. Every physical event is just a manifestation of spiritual decisions and events. Whatever happens in the physical world is just a manifestation. The **real life is what happens in the spirit world**; the physical ones are mere manifestations.

You are a spirit (living in a body). The real you is a spirit, not the flesh people see walking about. All of us are spirits. *Whatever affects us physically must have affected us first spiritually.* Thus, duty is laid on us to live as we are – as spirits. By living as spirits, we live the true life which we later manifest in the flesh.

Life is not what happens in the physical world, but what happens in the unseen spiritual world.

THE SECRET OF JESUS – MAN LIKE US

The life of Jesus was incredibly victorious from start to finish. How amazing! Yet, Jesus was a man like you and I. The LORD Jesus addressed himself many times as the *Son of Man*; not the Son of God. Not that He isn't. He is the Son of God, but he often called himself the Son of Man. Why? He did that – so you and I would understand he was flesh and blood like us.

When Jesus was on earth, he was not a "superman." There was no special human feature given to Him by God which you and I do not have. What Jesus had which you didn't have (until now) is this truth that the physical is just a manifestation of the spiritual.

Have you read or heard that something unfortunate ever happened to Jesus or he suffered an accident? I haven't. Was it the storm, insufficiency, death or what? Jesus overcame all of them because he first had victory over them in the spirit realm, then physically. Jesus was master over every circumstance in his life. So can you!

How did He do it? Jesus lived on the understanding that every physical event is only a manifestation of the spiritual. So He always sought for knowledge and understanding from the spirit realm. He was always in touch with God to know what was happening spiritually, which later will happen physically. Jesus always sought **the will of God** on every issue. Christ was only walking in the will of God for his life (what God had planned for his stay here on earth) – and he was victorious.

Everything Jesus did and all that happened in his life while He was here on earth were all manifestations of a divine plan. Jesus' choice of Judas Iscariot was not an accident either. Judas was needed there to fulfill a prophecy. It wasn't by accident that he chose him. You see, Jesus only walked in the will of God for his life and victory was guaranteed!

Likewise, **God has a plan for your life** too! Are you ready and willing to SEEK it, KNOW it and WALK IN it? Even when you do not understand, are you willing to only dance to the tune of God's music for your life? This is the greatest secret to living a life devoid of accident: knowing the will of God, and having your steps ordered by the LORD.

Life is like a film. God has already written the script and selected you to play a role. Now, if you will be successful, let God **direct** you to act out your part daily. Hebrews 4:3 and Ephesians 2:10 makes us understand that the works were finished from the foundation of the world; and we are only here to walk in them.

If you want to live victoriously over misfortunes and accidents, follow only the plan God has for your life, not yours. Be led by the Holy Spirit daily. After all, the Word of God says that it is not for man to direct his own steps.

> *O LORD, I know that the way of man is not in himself: it is not in man that walks to direct his steps.* *(Jeremiah 10:23)*

As you well know, the journey of life is full of trials and temptations. But how was Christ able to live above all these – to live a sinless life on earth? The answer lies in the fact that he, Jesus, made it his mandate to *live the spiritual life first* and leave the physical life to unfold as a playback. He focused on the spiritual – to know what was happening now spiritually which was coming to happen physically – – then he went on to physically **act** as God would have him do.

LIKE THE FILM INDUSTRY

The reality of how spiritual and physical events relate can be compared to the film industry of today. To cast a film, the casts together with the crew work behind the scene. They perform the scripting, acting, directing, lighting and all other works in reality. After that, we get to watch the movies (which are past scenes) on our screens.

Although the movies seem so real to us, yet nothing we watch is real. What we watch on our television, computer or phone screens are only **past acts** and **mere scenes**. What we watch is not the reality, but the scenes of what had already happened. Someone who is at where the filming takes place can change something in the movie, but the viewer

watching the *past scenes* on television cannot. Viewers have no control over any act or scene; everything has been pre-determined.

Life is likewise. **What happens in the physical world is pre-determined in the spirit realm.** Spiritual events and decisions are comparable with the place where the real acting and directing of the movies take place. The physical happenings are like what you watch on your screens – which you have no control over. So **whatever happens in your physical life is determined by what had taken place already in your spiritual life**. You are able to have life as you want it to be only when you take charge to direct and control it in the spirit realm. [Chapter 2 will teach you how to do it.]

At other times, we get the opportunity to watch live scenes such as games and Breaking News. These also are secondary events to the viewer at home; because they are not primary participants. To the viewer, such scenes are unreal although such events are real (at where they are happening).

The scenes are unreal in the sense that the viewer cannot change anything in them. The reality is at where the real event is taking place. Whatever we do while watching on the screen will not in any way change the outcome of the film.

The only way the viewer could change what is seen is by becoming a primary participant (present at where the event is unfolding). If you are in the stands, your shout may motivate or disrupt a player, but not while watching on a screen. If you are on the field, you have the opportunity

to kick the ball, but not while watching from home. You can act or tell another person to act in a certain way only when you are present at the setting.

So is the spirit realm. It is where the event is unfolding. It is where the directing, acting, playing, refereeing, substitution of lives and destinies and all other activities (good or bad) take place. **If you want to see something different in your physical life, you have to move from the physical realm to the spiritual realm –the source of what you are seeing – and change it from there.**

Whatever we experience physically on earth through our natural senses are only the scenes of unseen spiritual acts and decisions.

Everything comes from the spirit realm: even common unusual headaches come from there. Fever comes from there; promotion comes from there; job appointments come from there; healing and good health comes from there; success or failure in exams comes from there; houses come from there. (See Exodus 25:9) The Tent built was a replica of what existed *first* spiritually. You also might have seen houses, cars, or places in your dream; that is because such things you saw exist also spiritually.

For years now, I don't know what headache is because I know it comes from the spirit realm. If any emerges, I quickly deal with it in the spirit [by prayer], not physically [through medicine]. **A spiritual solution is a permanent solution, but physical solution is temporal.** That is why someone who is prayed for in faith will be healed instantly, but another

who goes to see the medical doctor will be given treatment (little by little solution) which takes time.

Life is not what we experience by our physical senses; but the unseen spiritual reality. Spiritual things are unseen but real. If you face any problem, deal with the unseen spiritual root and it shall be resolved physically too.

SOME PERSONAL ENCOUNTERS

In my walk with God over the years, there has been a lot of fore-telling of events before they happened. These events concerned my life, family, the Church (local and universal), earthly nation (Ghana), and other nations, individuals and institutions. The LORD shows me these things in His great mercies because He usually finds the one He seeks – an intercessor; and that's me. Hallelujah!

These events may be good or bad. With the undesirable ones, through prayer, I have seen some totally averted without a threat; some too arose, fell, broke and scattered. I thank God for the many deaths averted so far. I had to ask God somewhere getting to the end of 2016 whether I was a messenger of death; because hardly day came without God showing me someone to pray for. I thank God for saving all of us. Amen.

I have seen also a few bad events which were revealed to me by God come to pass because I didn't deal much with them spiritually. You can change what happens in your life and the lives of others by dealing with it spiritually. That is why I say there is no accident in this world;

whatever will happen in your physical life is what you had allowed first to happen in your spiritual life.

I have seen deaths, murders, election results, kidnappings, teenage pregnancies, sicknesses and diseases averted and influenced by the spiritual act of prayer. When you pray, you can change any physical situation.

What about the good things God has shown me? With these too, I have seen many fulfilled amidst threats. But there is no threat to prayer. Hallelujah!

What the LORD had given me the privilege of knowing before they occurred range from very important events, like the rising of a female tyrant who was to martyr Christians in America, to seemingly petty issues like the spoiling of my slippers or even a door locker. God is good! And when you walk with Him, you will get to know everything before it happens; then nothing will take you by surprise. There will be no accident in your way but manifestations you control!

About three months before my grandmother who raised me *slept*, God told me that such event would take place on a *Sunday*. And it took place on a Sunday. God speaks to every one of His children. That is why Jesus said, "My sheep **hear** my voice." (John 10:27) We need only to listen; God is speaking always!

I may not be alive to share these testimonies with you through this book if God speaks to me alone. In May 2015, I suffered a lot of attacks; some through **cobwebs**. [My appreciation to lady pastor Margaret

Owusu-Yeboah who has been a source of great motivation in prayer.] At a point, the LORD revealed to His servant, Deacon Daniel Baffoe, the plot of a car accident against my life. [Thank you for your support in prayer.] I was almost run over twice, but the LORD reveals always to redeem. Hallelujah!

I was a bit disappointed when the Black Stars of Ghana failed to progress to the round-sixteenth stage of the 2014 World Cup staged in Brazil. But that too did not come to me as a surprise. God told me of the absence of Ghana's skipper Sulley Muntari in a game that led to Ghana's elimination prior to the tournament's kick off. Perhaps I failed to receive the true interpretation from God; thinking it was death or ill health, and prayed amiss. Eventually, two consecutive yellow cards ruled him out of the game against Portugal coupled with his dismissal from camp for alleged misconduct.

After the June 2015 flood and fire disaster, I heard several people say it was revealed to them. I too had a dream about fire outbreak some six months before the event; but I thought it related to the end of the world - seeing that a fire spread from Ghana all the way to Togo in my dream. Whatever happened, the fact remains that, that event took place because we did not *intercede* as much as we did when we heard of the Ebola scare. We did not pray as much as we did when the threat of terrorist attack was revealed through Prophet T.B. Joshua. Terrorism was averted by prayer! Oh Hallelujah!

Any spiritual threat will become a physical disaster if not averted in time by prayer. When prayer was said to God, one of the presidential corps of Ghana's President John Dramani Mahama who was hired to assassinate him couldn't touch him; neither did President Akufo Addo die at the beginning of the year he was elected President.

These are but few! When you live tuned to the spirit realm, you know what is coming to happen physically. Though some people only watch the news on television to know what has happened, yet such physical events in themselves are news of what had happened in the spiritual world. Emmanuel, a student I met during outreach visitation to his school, puts it this way: "Everything happens twice." He said this because it usually occurs to him, after something had happened, that he had seen the same thing happen before. God had severally shown him the events through visions before they happened physically.

Please know that God foretells <u>everything</u> before they happen; but many a time, we either fail to listen or we forget them. There is no accident!

WHAT YOU NEED

Whatever happens, it happens first in the spirit world before manifesting in the physical world. It is *in the spirit world* that God, according to His mercies, grants us prior knowledge on events. God is a spirit and deals with us in spiritual ways. (See John 4:23)

You must grow in your relationship with God. Have more time for God. Have more fellowship with the Holy Spirit, who is as real as the friend beside you, and closer than the clothes on you.

> *Even from the days of your fathers you are gone away from my ordinances, and have not kept them.* ***Return unto me, and I will return unto you, says the LORD of hosts.*** *(Malachi 3:7)*

Return to the LORD. Do this through prayer, studying and obeying the Word of God. You must make God's Word the guide of your life. And do not forget to show love to God and to others (giving your time, resources, etc.). And remember, love is not word, but work.

Always seek the will of God for your life, anyone and anything around you; and be ready to stand in the gap – then all will go on well as you wish.

The medical doctor advises you to eat a balanced diet, but the spiritual doctor advises you to live a balanced life – because there is nothing accidental in life. Harold Hill said, "King's kids have a lot to do with the postponing of circumstances that are about to happen to themselves or others." Pay attention to your spiritual life because it is what

determines your physical life. Do this and you will know for yourself that there is no accident in this world.

In the coming chapters, I will share with you how to operate in the spirit realm, and have a favourable, accident-free physical life. Let me, however, conclude this chapter with the words of Pierre Teihard de Chardin who said, “We are not human beings having a spiritual experience. We are spiritual beings having a human experience.”

There is no such thing as ‘accident.’ Every physical event, either good or bad, is a mere manifestation of spiritual ones which had already taken place. I tell you, you can know tomorrow. Be spiritual; and get to know everything before it happens. I encourage you to live your new life in Christ free from accidents!

SUMMARY

1. There are certain words that exist in the world, but not in the Kingdom of God; 'Accident' is one.
2. Man is a tripartite being. He lives in a two-fold world: spiritual and physical.
3. Every natural occurrence is first conceived in the spirit realm.
4. There is no accident; whatever happens in the physical is just a manifestation.
5. Everything Jesus did and all that happened in his life while He was on earth were all manifestations of a divine plan.
6. Jesus Christ made it his mandate to live the spiritual life first and leave the physical life to unfold as a playback.
7. God foretells everything; but many a times, we either fail to listen or we forget them.
8. Always seek the will of God for your life, anyone and anything around you.
9. There is no accident in this life; everything that happens physically is only a manifestation of spiritual acts (events) and decisions.

Chapter 2

ACTIVATE YOUR SPIRITUAL SENSES

The spirit realm is the reality of life. It is where every physical event originates from. The spiritual world is the womb for nurturing physical events. For this reason, no physical occurrence, whether good or bad, is an accident.

It stands therefore that *if a man is in control of his spiritual life and its events, he automatically controls the happenings of his physical life also*. To win in any situation in the physical realm, you first must have won in the spiritual realm.

Nonetheless, there remains the question: How do we operate in the spirit realm – both to know and to control what happens in our spiritual lives? Beloved, relax, this chapter will teach you just that.

PARTS OF MAN

Let's start by identifying the parts that God created for man. The only way by which we can access the spirit realm is through these same human parts.

As stated earlier, every man is a tripartite being. Man is a spirit or a being, has a soul, and lives in a body. The spirit is the real man. The real you is not the body people see, but a spirit inside the body. The soul inter-mediates the spirit and the body. The soul comprises of the 'will,' 'mind,' and 'emotion.' Two other components of the soul are the memory and the imagination.

The body is made up of cells, tissues, organs, and systems. Every one of these is important for physical well-being. There are some special organs called sense organs. These are the eyes, nose, tongue, ears, and skin. Thus, man is a 3S's – Spirit, Soul, and Sense organs.

To live a victorious life in the physical, you cannot do without the spirit, soul or body; neither can you ignore any part of the spirit, the soul, or the body (sense organs) if you wish to live a life devoid of misfortunes or accidents. These are of equal importance.

Mistakenly, we often tend to relate physical things to science – and do not see their true values. But remember, science did not create anything: God is the sole creator of all things. There are many fields of study which seek to know what God has made, and science is one of them. Science seeks knowledge on only the *physical things* that God commanded to exist. [And that tells you how limited science is; it

studies only one of the two dimensions of life – the physical world. Yet, even after years of study, science has not fully comprehended the significance of such physical elements.]

Science can teach you how the sense organs function physically. But beyond that, these organs have vital spiritual functions to perform to enable you live without any accident. Let's consider some.

FUNCTIONS OF THE PARTS

The Imagination

Your imagination is your ability to form mental images of people, things and events. This is very useful in the exercise of faith. It enables us to perceive possibilities from the realms which are higher than the physical one we live in. That is, by the imagination, man perceives things in the spirit realm for execution in the physical realm.

The imagination counts greatly in all of man's achievements. It partly determines what you achieve in life. You cannot run farther than you can see (with your imagination). The story about the Tower of Babel gives us a vivid example.

> *And the LORD said, Behold, the people is one, and they have all one language; and this they begin to do: and now nothing will be restrained from them, which **they** have **imagined** to do.*
>
> *(Genesis 11:6)*

God was alarmed when He came to earth and saw men using their imagination to do great things, but in a way contrary to His will for

them. God said man should multiply and fill the earth. (Genesis 1:28)They, however, decided to build a skyscraper to contain all of them so they would not spread over the earth as God said they should. All was the result of the imagination. And God concluded that everything they imagined to do, no one could stop them from achieving it. Beloved, if you can imagine (see yourself) doing anything, you can achieve it.

In the exercise of faith, if you can imagine or see "the reality of God's promises in His word" and hold onto it, you will embrace your miracle.

The Mind

The mind is the center of reasoning. Naturally, the mind cannot understand spiritual things. (1 Corinthians 2:14) [Note that the 'mind' is different from the 'brain.'] But when the mind is renewed and trained, it can yield immeasurable profit to the believer. Therefore, Apostle Paul counseled us to know the will of God. But before we could know the will of God, he said that first we must renew our minds. Romans 12:2 reads –

> *And be not conformed to this world: but* ***be transformed by the renewing of your <u>mind</u>****, that you may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God. (Romans 12:2)*

The primary purpose of the mind is to help process messages (like the Word of God). When your mind is renewed to function in accordance with the word of God, then you can walk in the will of God. The result

being that, you will not mislead yourself into any evil, but find safety in the will of God.

The Memory

The memory is our ability to store and recall messages that come to us through various media. Because of its ability to store messages, we are able to keep instructions from the Word of God, recall and apply them when the need arises.

Our LORD Jesus Christ made good use of this faculty to live victorious over all the storms and temptations that came his way. As a child He **memorized** the scriptures and when the need arose, He **recalled** and **used** them to refute the whims of the devil.

> *Then was Jesus led up of the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted of the devil. And when he had fasted forty days and forty nights, he was afterward hungry. And when the tempter came to him, he said, If you are the Son of God, command that these stones be made bread. But he answered and said, It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds out of the mouth of God. Then the devil took him up into the holy city, and set him on a pinnacle of the temple, And says unto him, If you are the Son of God, cast yourself down: for it is written, He shall give his angels charge concerning you: and in their hands they shall bear you up, lest at any time you dash your foot against a stone. Jesus said unto him, It is written again, You shall not tempt the Lord your God. Again, the devil took him up into an exceeding*

high mountain, and showed him all the kingdoms of the world, and the glory of them; And said unto him, All these things will I give you, if you will fall down and worship me. Then said Jesus unto him, Begone, Satan: for it is written, You shall worship the Lord your God, and him only shall you serve. Then the devil left him, and, behold, angels came and ministered unto him. (Matthew 4:1-11)

How did Jesus know what was written? He must have learnt the scriptures first; and kept the words in His memory. As we have seen, later He recalled what was written in the scriptures and used it to overthrow the arguments of Satan.

If you will live the new life in a victorious way, you must treasure the word of God in your heart. You must memorize the word of God. For this reason, Apostle Paul charged us to keep the preaching we hear in our memory:

Moreover, brethren, I declare unto you the gospel which I preached unto you, which also you have received, and wherein you stand; by which also you are saved, if you ***keep in memory what I preached unto you****, unless you have believed in vain. (1Corinthians 15:1-2)*

Another specialty of the memory which I have come to know is its use in prayer. There were countless times the Spirit of God led me to pray for people by reminding me of them. Afterwards, I got to know that about the time I remembered them and prayed for them, they were

under certain attacks or were being targeted by the Devil. **Any time you remember someone out of the blue, pray for him or her.**

For days, my friend who has been very instrumental in editing this book came to mind. I continued to pray for her. Later when I met her on Sunday, she told me she had some fever during the week.

On another occasion, the daughter of a fellow prayer warrior at Upcity Church International was on my mind, so I prayed for her and her siblings. On Sunday when I saw her perform on a children's program at Church, I remembered the Holy Spirit's prompts during the previous week and prayed for her again. Days later, one of this fellow prayer warrior's daughters fell ill, was admitted at the hospital and later discharged – as she mentioned at another prayer meeting. I thank God for her life!

I have several such testimonies. Any time you remember someone out of the blue, they are lined-up for either good or evil, most at times evil; therefore, you must PRAY FOR THEM.

> ***Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit****, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication* ***for all saints****;* *(Ephesians 6:18)*

Please do not cease the opportunity as a payback time if the person had previously offended you; you will have to account for that soul if you didn't pray for him or her. [The first thing Satan does when he wants to attack the people you intercede for is to make them offend you; but

don't stop praying for them.] Whether the person is a friend or an enemy, make sure you pray for him or her. Pray for, not against. Amen.

*But I say unto you which hear, **Love** your enemies, **do good to** them which hate you, **Bless** them that curse you, and **pray for** them which despitefully use you.* *(Luke 6:27-28)*

When it comes to the body, the sense organs also are very vital in living the new life in victory. I am talking about the same natural sense organs you know, but how to use them spiritually.

Every child of God has the ability to use the natural sense organs for spiritual gains. Let us now consider them.

The Eyes

The eye is a very important organ. It gives us sight or vision. The LORD Jesus said, "But if your eyes are no good, your body will be in darkness." (Matthew 6:23) Your physical eyes affect your body only; but your spiritual eyes affect you both spiritually and physically. You have spiritual eyes. How do you use them?

THEY CAN SEE!

One day on my way to work as an intern at the Sogakofe District Hospital, I encountered a strange scene. I passed by a certain woman, who was working on her farm which was by the path I took. Beside her were two kids about *eight years* old; and they were playing close to the path. When I passed by, I heard the kids call after me "teacher" and they started giggling and mocking.

Those kids barely knew me; or I should say they do not know me at all. How come they called me by my *desired profession* and started giggling? Amazed at what just happened, I asked the Holy Spirit, "What was that?" He replied, *"They can see."* He added, "They have eyes that see into the spirit realm."

Eight years old kids have *evil eyes* which could see and name my profession just by merely passing by them. It was not that they had stayed with me for some time or they attended any school I taught at. I doubt if they ever stepped into any classroom. What more, I had not been in town for many months (because I was at school and had just returned for holidays). How did they know?

If you already are a child of God, ask yourself this question: *As a child of God, do I see?*

But if your eye be evil, your whole body shall be full of darkness. If therefore the light that is in you be darkness, how great is that darkness! You must see! You are a child of the Most High and the King of kings. You were even ordained a king and a priest of God. (See Revelation 1:6) Do not be a blind prince or priest! Don't be a blind king! Do not be a blind child of God. You must see!

> *And they arrived at the country of the Gadarenes, which is over against Galilee. And when he went forth to land, there met him out of the city <u>a certain man, which had devils</u> long time, and wore no clothes, neither abode in any house, but in the tombs. When he <u>saw</u> Jesus, he cried out, and fell down before him, and with a loud voice said, What have I to do with you, Jesus, you Son of God most high? I beseech you, torment me not.*
>
> *(Luke 8:26-28)*

People who are possessed by evil spirits see and recognize the people of God. Those eight year kids recognized me; and the mad man at

Gadara also recognized Jesus. How much more should we, people who are filled with the Holy Spirit, be able to see spiritual things? We must see! We must be able to recognize the members of our household of faith, as well as those who are not! You must see beyond the natural; that is what your spiritual eyes are meant for.

At another time, I was conducting a market survey and found myself in a certain house where there was a young man possessed by demons. On seeing me, he became restless. He roamed up and down for minutes without a word. Then I realized something was wrong: he was possessed by demons. I got out of the house amazed about the light I am, yet unaware. You see, those demons saw the light and were troubled although I didn't know of it.

Demons and evil kids can see. How much more a child of the Most High? You must use your spiritual eyes to see. But how do we see?

DREAMS AND VISIONS

We see into the spirit realm through **dreams** and **visions**. Every time you sleep (day or night) the Holy Spirit makes you see things that are happening in the spirit world. These are real things which, sooner or later, would happen physically.

Anytime you wake up from sleep, ask God this question: LORD, please what did you show me? Then He will remind you of all things you dreamt of. (John 14:26) And as you have known what is going on in the spiritual realm, **pray about it**–taking one issue at a time. If you do

this every morning, or any time you wake up from sleep, your ways will be devoid of accidents.

Dreams are not just dreams. Many things that happen, God shows them to me in dreams; so physical events do not surprise me. Many of the end time prophetic messages God gave to Daniel were given to him through dreams.

> *In the first year of Belshazzar king of Babylon Daniel had a* ***dream*** *and visions of his head upon his bed:* ***then he wrote the dream****, and told the sum of the matters. (Daniel 7:1)*

God spoke four times through dreams just to save the life of Jesus when He was born.

> *And being warned of God* ***in a dream*** *that they should not return to Herod, they departed into their own country another way. (Matthew 2:12)*
>
> *[See also Matthew 2:13, 19, 22]*

Dreams are not just dreams. They are special messages from God. They inform you about what is going on spiritually; and these things which are going on spiritually are the very things that will manifest physically (unless someone hinders them). Dreams are express messages from God; so do not take them for granted.

God speaks to <u>everyone</u> through dreams. If He spoke to even king Nebuchadnezzar through dreams, how much more you – His child? (See Daniel 4:4-5) God speaks to you anytime you sleep; listen when you wake up.

Unfortunately, some people do forget their dreams. If you are someone who forgets dreams, that means the thief comes every morning to steal it from you. (John 10:10) You must pray to arrest and stop him. Bind that demon who steals your dreams in Jesus's name. Amen.

Visions are other ways God grants us fore-knowledge of spiritual things – using the eyes. Unlike dreams, you do not need to sleep to see a vision. It occurs while you are awake. If you **desire** visions and you **ask** God for it, He will grant you just as He has done for me. But you must desire and ask for it. There was a season when I begin to see as soon as I close my eyes. These days, by the grace of God, I do not close my eyes, yet I see. I pray for you; may the LORD God open your eyes to see spiritual things, in the mighty name of Jesus. Amen.

Let me end on the eyes by giving you some secret codes. If you want more visions, worship God more; if you want more revelations, spend more time studying the word of God; and if you want more dreams, pay more attention to it each time you wake up from sleep. Ask God, "Please what did you show me when I slept?" And just listen, He will remind you. Then pray about it and there will be no accident in your way. Praise God!

The Nose

The nose is a wonderful detective sense organ. Permit me to associate its 'smell' ability with *the gift of discernment*.

As a child of God, you should know what is around you. There were times when I had certain smells and knew by them what was going on or what to pray about. For instance, one Sunday when we were sweeping the Church premises in preparation for service, I smelled the presence of the olive oil (commonly called "anointing oil"). Just then I knew the LORD has anointed me for some special assignment. Not long, the Prophet came and asked me to assist those who were leading the opening prayers. [This was at the Church of Mercy, Sogakofe.]

On another occasion, this happened so that I could preach God's Word while I was at the university. I was about leaving a lecture hall after my private studies when I smelt the 'anointing oil'. When I asked the LORD what He wanted me to do, He instructed me to preach in that class before I left there. The result was an amazing teaching encounter – one which that class never before had.

One Sunday, as Rev. Carl Spencer of Upcity Church International was preaching, there came a pain in my neck. I began to pray; and not long, I smelt the scent of "Robb" (a balm used on patients). Immediately I knew there was healing. [I am not sure if the pain and the healing was for myself or one of the pastors who I had on my mind.] On another occasion, I smelt 'hospital atmosphere' when I prayed few minutes after I was attacked by *the spirit of fever;* and I knew that I was healed

by the LORD. [This happened during a church service at Assemblies of God, Likpe-Mate.] Hallelujah!

I have now several testimonies because of using my spiritual nose. Through prayer, you too can activate your spiritual nose or smell so that you can smell and detect things in the spirit. You may not see it; but if you can smell it, you can know what is going on, and what to pray for.

The Ear

Hearing God is the master key to living the new life in victory. If you see, feel, smell or sense something but do not understand it, you could be overcome by it. Hearing gives you insight and understanding. It is the master key that guarantees constant supernatural victorious.

Every Christian is a follower and a 'sheep' of Christ Jesus, who said, *"**My sheep hear my voice**, and I know them, and they follow me." (John 10:27)* How can you follow someone if you can't hear his voice or see where he is passing? Hearing the voice of the LORD and being led by His Spirit is very important in living the new life to overcome every accident. You will never fall a victim to any circumstance so long as you can hear God – guiding you all the way.

The LORD may be your shepherd, but if you cannot hear Him, how can He lead you to the green pastures or still waters? How can he deliver your feet out of the snares on your path if you do not hear His warnings? You must be led by the Spirit; and it starts with hearing Him.

I will sacrifice all the other gifts of God if I am to choose between all of them and just hearing God. If you don't hear the voice of God, you are heading for a big crash. Living the victorious life is like piloting an aircraft. The pilot sees nothing but clouds, and needs to listen to and obey every instruction given him from the control tower – to make a successful journey and landing. You must **hear** and **obey** God.

HOW DO WE HEAR GOD?

Can we hear God speak to us? Yes. How does God speak to man? Primarily, God speaks to man through His word. The Bible is the Word of God; and each time you open it, you will hear God saying something to you.

God communicates with us through songs, sermons, visions and dreams. Once I was on a journey and my money would not be sufficient for my return trip. While I sat in the second bus which was to take me to my destination, I heard a song singing in my heart. Then I sang it aloud and listened to it. It was a Twi song which says that if I open my mouth and pray, my Father which is in Heaven knows what I need. Then I opened my mouth and prayed. Miraculously, when I returned to the same station to board my return bus home, someone just paid my fare. Hallelujah! God speaks through songs!

Again, God speaks to every one of us through the still small voice. (See 1 Kings 19:11-13) This is the *gentle* voice you hear in your heart, mind, or conscience – telling you to do something or not to do something. You can be sure it is God speaking through your conscience by

measuring every perceived message to the Word of God. If what you hear contradicts the Bible, just ignore it; the Word of God is the ultimate voice of God.

You should cultivate the habit of listening to the voice of God. This will guarantee you supernatural victories and accident-free life. Praise God!

The Skin (Touch)

One unique feature of the skin is its *sensitivity*. The skin feels. As children of God, we need to activate our *spiritual skin sensitivity*. This also could relate to the gift of discernment. Several times when I get close to people, I could easily tell what spirit is in them; **I could feel it on my skin**. The reason I do not usher (hold people being prayed for) is that always I felt the repulsion of the unclean spirits on my skin.

Also, some of the ministry gifts such as serving, helps, leadership, administration, giving, showing mercy, hospitality and healing work through the 'touch.' Just by touching people (that is, by the laying on of holy hands), they receive their healing. When the woman with an issue of blood for twelve years touched the hem of Jesus' garment, she was healed instantly. (Matthew 9:20-22) The touch is powerful. You need to grow in its spiritual use – to be a blessing to others.

It may be difficult to touch a person (the spirit within the body); but where your hands cannot reach, your alms (charity) could. As you give or help people, you touch their emotions; and as a result, they even may give their lives to Christ. Thus, the battle to save that soul has been won

easily. As a child of God, you must grow spiritually to use your touch to transform lives and things around you.

Let me put it across here that it is true also that your body is the temple of God; and you must keep it holy. You ought to use your body to serve God. This too is a major escape for you from many evil; because God will never let His anointed to be touched; neither will He let his unprofaned temple to be destroyed. I have witnessed several attacks on my life since childhood, but God has not let me to be a victim of any because I am wholly His. You too can be.

The surest way to save or insure your body and your life is to lose it for Christ and His Gospel's sake!

The Tongue

The tongue is a fruit bearing sense organ. It bears the fruit of life and death, good and evil, bondage or liberty, poverty or prosperity. Whichever you know, and love, you will eat its fruit.

> *A man's belly shall be satisfied with* ***the fruit of his mouth****; and with the increase of his lips shall he be filled. Death and life are in the power of the tongue: and they that love it shall eat the fruit thereof. (Proverbs 18:20-21)*

Apart from man, God did not create any other thing as you might suppose. God only **spoke** and everything came into existence. He formed only man from the dust. And this is what makes God who He is – He only *speaks*, and whatever He says exists.

> *And God* ***said****, Let there be light: and there was light. (Genesis 1:3)*

The power on your tongue is too great than you can imagine. That is why we have been advised to tame our tongues. (See James 3:8) As a believer in Christ, you must tame your tongue and use it rightly to your advantage. Do your best to also use it to advance the course of the Kingdom of God by preaching the Gospel.

Know that when you speak a word, either good or evil, a corresponding power (spirit) is released by your word into action. If you speak words of life, life that is what you will get for yourself or whomever you spoke it to. But if you speak words of failure, failure will come to you. The choice is yours. **Your words are spirit which create your world.**

It is the spirit that quickens; the flesh profits nothing: ***the words that I speak unto you, they are spirit,*** *and they are life.*
(John 6:63)

There are several gifts of God which work through the tongue (that is, through speech). Some of these gifts are prophecy, teaching, exhortation, the word of wisdom, the word of knowledge, unknown and diverse tongues, and the interpretation of tongues. The working of these gifts in the life of the believer helps to edify him or her, and also build up other believers– empowering them to live victoriously.

Let us consider speaking of the unknown tongue: it helps us to communicate with our heavenly Father.

For he that speaks in an unknown tongue speaks not unto men, but unto God: for no man understands him; howbeit in the spirit he speaks mysteries. (1 Corinthians 14:2)

On this issue, I say a lot of believers are who do not speak the heavenly language are cheating themselves. I believe when we get to Heaven, the language we shall speak is not our diverse tongues, but the unknown tongue (the language of God).

Speak the heavenly language to edify yourself. Speak the tongues of men to edify others. Whatever comes out from your mouth, let it be a positive word which ministers grace to the hearers.

Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth, but that which is good to the use of edifying, that it may minister grace unto the hearers. (Ephesians 4:29)

Speak words of life and you definitely will enjoy the fruit of it. The All-Mighty God has put the power to effect a change on your tongue.

You know spiritual events through the four other sense organs; but with this one, the tongue, you control the events of your spiritual world.

You have the power to create and destroy on your tongue. You have the power to effect changes in the spirit realm on your tongue; because the Bible says that whatever **you** decree shall be established for you. (Job 22:28) Again, it says that whatsoever **you** shall bind or loose *on earth* shall be bound or loosed *also in Heaven*. (Matthew 16:19)

Your tongue is not just for tasting food; it does far more than that. It can control, direct, change, avert, divert, or initiate spiritual motions; and the product is the physical things you see. Use your tongue well; it is a powerful spiritual weapon. And as you do, remember, you will account also for every *useless word* that comes out of your mouth. (Matthew 12:36) Chose to speak useful and positive words daily.

In concluding this chapter, the natural sense organs, altogether with the imagination, mind and memory help us to live life devoid of what the natural man calls *accident*. A believer who does not make spiritual use of his or her natural sense organs cannot experience the supernatural continuously. You must activate your spiritual sense organs. This will help you to be abreast with your spiritual life and to control its events; hence automatically control the events of your physical life too.

How do you activate your spiritual senses? You first must have a *DESIRE to use* them. Then ask God through *PRAYER* to activate your sense organs for you. Then by the power of God's Holy Spirit in you, you will walk in your activated spiritual sense organs. You must also be *CONSCIOUS* of it.

I do feel it in my ears whether God is telling me something (by a gentle sign in my right ear), giving me a warning (by a gentle sign in my left ear), or the enemy is forcing his voice on me (by a forceful or sharp sign in left or right ear). There even are times when my hand is drawn to robbing my ears; when it is the right ear – it is a confirmation; but when it is the left ear – it is a warning or alert redirecting me to the right path. I am conscious always. But first, you must desire and pray to activate your spiritual senses. And if you are born again, your spiritual senses are already activated; but you must by daily practice make them active.

Now I pray for you: may the LORD activate your spiritual skin and nose, open your spiritual eyes and ears, and help you use your tongue

to take charge of your spiritual and physical life – in Jesus' name. Amen!

SUMMARY

1. The Spirit realm is the womb for nurturing physical realities.
2. To win in the physical realm, you first must win in the spirit realm.
3. The imagination enables man to see something in the spirit realm to replicate in the physical.
4. A renewed and trained mind yields immeasurable gains to the believer.
5. The memory helps us to keep instructions from the Word of God, recall and apply them when the need arise.
6. When you remember someone out of the blue, pray (intercede) for him or her.
7. Exercise your spiritual sight to see through dreams and visions.
8. Hearing God is key to living the new life in continuous victory.
9. The surest way to save or insure your body and your life is to lose it for Christ and His Gospel's sake!
10. You know spiritual events through the four other sense organs; but with this one, the tongue, you control the events of your spiritual world.

Chapter 3

ALL POWER

There are so many people who fear the devil. Unfortunately, even believers in Christ do. For many, Satan is some big powerful creature; but he is not. Satan is not as powerful as you think. Beloved, even you are more powerful than Satan.

On 26thFebruary 2017, in a dream, I realized that I was standing in hell, which was a place of total darkness; the bottomless pit, not the lake of fire. There, I saw two figures standing by; and I knew them as the false prophet and Satan.

What was more surprising was that the figures that I saw looked like men who are thirty years old. *Satan didn't look like a scarecrow; instead, he looked like a young man in his thirties*. I didn't see Satan having long finger nails and horns as you might have seen in any art work (cartoon, film or picture).

Since the time God gave me this message, "All Power" I have not so much regarded the power of the Devil because I know from Matthew 28:18 that **Jesus Christ alone has all the power in heaven and on earth**. And now, having known how Satan actually looks, I do not

fear him at all. I know what Satan looks like; and so do you. Satan looks just like a young man in his thirties.

The Bible also makes it clear that **Satan is just one angel** who was cast out of Heaven with a host of other angels. (Read Ezekiel 28:14-19 and Revelation 12:7-9) Satan is just one fallen angel trying to rule the earth. And he doesn't seek to rule only the earth, but also the people of God.

Revelation 12:9 describes Satan as both a serpent and a dragon. But Satan is not a serpent; neither is he a dragon. He *works* as both a serpent and a dragon; as a serpent to deceive, and as a dragon to persecute those he cannot deceive.

On 5th June 2015, the LORD showed me the kind of dragon Satan is. In a dream, I saw <u>two</u> dragons fighting in the sky: one big and long; the other comparatively shorter. The small one rather was pestering the big one, which was retreating.

When I woke up, the LORD made me understand that *the Church* is represented by long and big dragon; and Satan, the short one. He added that He has given great power to the Church, yet it was on the retreat. People of God, let us not retreat but resist the devil, and he will flee from us. Satan doesn't have any power to even dare to stand before us when we resist him. He must flee! (See James 4:7)

THE DEADLY DECEPTION

There has been great misconception of the issue of spiritual powers by most Christians. Most followers of Christ live as though Satan has any power over them. And this deception, I wish we clear before delving further into the content of this chapter.

As a child of God, Satan has **no** power over you. Satan has a power called 'dunamis' in Luke 10:19 (which I shall explain later), but this power does not extend to dominating the child of God. Satan may have some influence over the un-repented sinner, but not over the child of God – a person who is born again and lives in holiness and obedience to God. If you are a child of the most high God, Satan has no power at all over you.

Do not be surprised! This is the truth: Satan has no power over you! Even unbelievers who are not born again, I am told in Psalm 24:1 that the earth is the LORD'S (not Satan's), and the fullness (everything and everyone) of it; the world, and they (including even sinners) that dwell in it. How much more you, a son or daughter of God?

It is this ignorance of God's people about the greater power they have above even Satan's power, or the lesser power Satan has compared to theirs, which has made many of them to live, oppressed by the devil. Satan has no power over you!

God has authority and power over everything, every person and every spirit. This is the power Jesus Christ also has; all things were created by him and for him. (See Colossians 1:16) All things, not some, all

things are subject to Jesus Christ. And the same power that Jesus has is what we also have.

Satan has no authority whatsoever over any child of God. But, immature as we were, and deceived, we had previously let **one fallen angel** dominate all of us. Say, "No more!"

We need to know who we really are in Christ; and this will help us do away with the fear of Satan from the Church. We are in the days when Satan must be bound and imprisoned in hell for one thousand years. For far too long, the Church has promoted Satan and hailed him to have a power even he himself knows he doesn't have. Satan knows that all his power was taken away by the LORD Jesus Christ after his crucifixion, death and resurrection. But now, the hour for the truth has come.

THE TRUTH

The Spirit of God shared this truth with me about what power we have here on earth, as the Body of Christ. This is what I wish to share with you.

Satan is a rebel. He is an outlaw and a **fugitive** from Heaven. That is who Satan is <u>on earth</u>: he is a fugitive, and nothing more. After his wrong in heaven, he was cast out onto the earth, but the earth is never his territory. The earth is the LORD's; and He wielded it to **man**.

> *The LORD <u>owns</u> the earth and all it contains, the world and all who live in it.* *(Psalm 24:1)*

> *Then God said, "**Let us make humankind** in our image, after our likeness, **so they may rule** over the fish of the sea and the birds of the air, over the cattle, and **over all the earth**, and over all the creatures that move on the earth." (Genesis 1:26)*

God created man to rule over all the earth. But after Adam had sinned, all creation came under bondage: the bondage of sin and death. Therefore, death became Satan's greatest power until Christ's death and resurrection.

When Christ died on the cross, He did so to pay for *all the sin of the world*. As a result, Christ has set all creation free from its bondage of sin. He has also conquered death. That is why He now has the keys of death and Hades.

> *I am the one who lives! I was dead, but look, now I am alive – forever and ever – and I hold the keys of death and of Hades! (Revelation 1:18)*

Beloved, I want you to understand that even death no longer has its power. [Well, I have ever seen the spirit of death; and it looks just like Satan. Both look like a young man in his thirties. But when I saw Death I saw it as shadow] Satan has no power; and Death too has lost its power to Christ.

Our LORD Jesus Christ rules over the spirit called Death. Satan cannot touch you; and Death cannot kill you. Because our LORD rules over death. He has given us also power over death. That is why He sent us to go and raise the dead, not to bury them. (See Matthew 10:8)

In the beginning, the earth may have been subject to the control of Satan in error, but no more! Satan has been **stripped** of ALL his power since the death and resurrection of Christ Jesus our LORD. Hallelujah!

Deception was, and continues to be the chief of Satan's weapons. To deal with this too, Christ brought us TRUTH – to set us free.

> *For the law was given by Moses, but grace and truth came by Jesus Christ. (John 1:17)*
>
> *And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free. (John 8:32)*

What power does Satan have again? Death is not his power anymore; neither is the grave. Is it lying? It may be ignorance. The absence of the truth for over 2000 years has been the major weapon of the Devil.

The main reason for the great influence of Satan's kingdom of darkness in the world today is the ignorance of the followers of Christ. Many do not know who they are in Christ; neither do they have the true knowledge about the power they have in Christ. If all Christians should recognize the power Christ has received and delegated to them, Satan will be left with no influence in this world.

The most powerful weapon Satan has been using since the death and resurrection of Christ is *the ignorance of Christ's followers*. Satan does not rule this earth; you and I do.

THE BIG TRUTH

When our LORD Jesus Christ was raised from death, He announced that ALL POWER has been given to Him in Heaven and on earth. *Matthew 28:18reads –*

> *And Jesus came and spoke unto them, saying,* ***all power*** *is given unto me in heaven and in earth. (KJV)*
>
> *Jesus drew near and said to them, "I have been given* ***all authority*** *in heaven and on earth. (GNB)*

The Greek word translated 'authority' and 'power' in both Bible versions cited above is "exousia." The word, 'exousia' means the sense of ability that is subjectively competent, and objectively mastery. This word is not well explained when it is translated into English as just one word: as either "power" or "authority". We may join both to have "authoritative power" or "powerful authority". This is better; but it still does not best explain the word 'exousia' without an element of *mastery* or *sovereignty*. 'Exousia' is best translated into English as "sovereign powerful authority" or "legally sovereign power." 'Exousia' simply means sovereign power.

'Exousia' means an authority and power which cannot be challenged. Jesus Christ has "exousia." He has "sovereign power" in heaven and on earth. Hallelujah!

Jesus said that all *exousia* **has been given** to him. He did not say it 'will be given' to him at the end of the age, or during the millennium. Already, all power has been given to Jesus Christ. This means that Jesus Christ has had *sovereign power* since the day of His resurrection.

Again, I want you to know that all 'exousia' was not given to Jesus Christ in Heaven only, but also **here on earth**. This means Jesus Christ has sovereign power in both Heaven and earth. Jesus Christ is LORD in Heaven; and He is LORD here on earth. Jesus is the sovereign ruler in the universe.

[I know that at this point, some of you will start thinking that if Jesus Christ really is the Sovereign Ruler even here on earth, why then does evil still take place in the world? To answer this question, please exercise patience till we get to see Jesus handing over His power to you and me.]

Now, it is time we delve into "All Power."

Still in Matthew 28:18, Jesus indicated that "all power" has been given to Him. Jesus did **not** say that "some" power has been given to him in heaven and on earth. Instead, Jesus said that "ALL" power has been given to Him in Heaven and here on earth. Jesus Christ does not have *some* power; He has *all* power.

Jesus Christ has ALL power, ALL authority, and ALL sovereignty – not some. Christ was not given *some exousia*, but *all exousia*. He has the totality of sovereign rulership in all the universe. Hallelujah!

If you used to think that Satan has 'some' power, get it right from here. Satan has NO power.

Jesus Christ did not say that *some* power has been given to Him. In that case, Satan still might have 'some' power too. The LORD Jesus didn't say either that a *greater* power has been given to Him. That would mean His power is not "all" and there may be some 'little' power left somewhere which Satan could possess. But never! Jesus didn't say any of that. Instead, our LORD Jesus Christ boldly declared, *"All power is given unto me in heaven and on earth." (Matthew 28:18)*

Common sense teaches us that once someone has ALL of something, there is NONE of that same thing left anywhere for anyone else to have. That person alone has it all. Let us consider this: Mr. Yao has ten oranges; and there are two boys, Kofi and Senyo, to whom he could give the oranges. If Mr. Yao gave *all* ten oranges to Kofi, then Sanyo will have *none*. If Kofi has *all*; then Sanyo has *none*. So if all power was given to Jesus Christ, it holds therefore that no one else (Satan, Angels, Man, other spirits, etc.) could have any other power either in Heaven or here on earth. Jesus alone has all the power!

You know that Satan does not rule in Heaven; I tell you more – Satan does not rule on earth either. The greatest fallacy – the greatest the Church has made for over 2000 years – was to see Satan as having some power on earth, whereas he has **none**. Satan has no power in Heaven; Satan has no power here on earth; **Satan has NO power at all.** Jesus Christ our LORD has ALL power in Heaven; Jesus has all power here

on earth; and **Jesus Christ alone has ALL power over the world.** Hallelujah!

You see, all power has been given to our LORD. That is why He went ahead to send us to go and *work in His Name*. He said that all power has been given to Him *therefore* go …. Jesus has all power. Because of that, He sent us to go and teach in His Name, heal the sick in His Name, cast out devils in His Name, and even raise the dead in His Name.

> *"All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. Go therefore and teach all nations …"* *(Matthew 28:18-19)*

> *And as you go, preach, saying, The kingdom of heaven is at hand. Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out devils: freely you have received, freely give. (Matthew 10:7-8)*

The kingdom of light and the kingdom of darkness are not in any competition. Neither God nor Jesus is fighting Satan. The truth is that Jesus Christ already has been given **all power** BOTH IN HEAVEN AND ON EARTH. Satan has no power and cannot stand to fight the LORD who created Him. (See Colossians 1:16) Jesus doesn't have time to waste fighting with the Devil. Our LORD Jesus Christ alone has all the power. Glory to God!

> *For yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen. (Matthew 6:13)*

SATAN IS UNDER JUDGMENT

A person who has been judged is either acquitted and discharged, or condemned. A person who is acquitted is freed. This means that he or she can live an unrestricted life.

On the other hand, a person who has been condemned is restricted. The convict is usually stripped of all his authority and *subjected to a higher authority*. It is of no use what power or authority a convicted person once had. He is stripped of all such powers.

Satan also has already been judged by God.

> *And they are wrong about judgment, because* ***the ruler of this world has already been judged****.* *(John 16:11)*

Satan, who <u>was</u> the ruler of this world, will not be judged at the end of the world; he has been judged already. And the judgment passed on Satan is that of conviction or condemnation. Satan was judged guilty. Therefore, he remains under judgment. He is restrained by the verdict of God; only that he has not been imprisoned yet; that is why he is roaming about. But he shall soon be imprisoned in hell (the bottomless pit) for one thousand years. (See Revelation 20:1-3)

A portion of a manual titled 'Spiritual Strategies' which was written by Harvestime International Institute reads: *"Jesus has conquered Satan and set his judgment, but he is still at large and his forces of demonic powers, the flesh, and the world are still at war in the land. They attempt to control territory that is rightfully that of the Conqueror.*

They try to blind men to the fact that Satan has been defeated and is under judgment. *They try to control homes, churches, and nations.*

That is where the warfare of the believer comes into focus. ***Jesus has defeated the enemy but Satan remains at large in the world. It is our task to open the eyes of men and women to his deception and regain control of territory that is rightfully ours.****"*

Satan is under judgment. He has a criminal warrant issued against him in Heaven. That is why he fled from there. He is a fugitive on earth. Therefore, if you find him anywhere, all you need to do is call Heaven through prayer and he will flee. When the Church begin to walk in its rightful dominion over the earth, there will be no place found for Satan here on earth; then he will be bound and cast into the bottomless pit for a thousand years, and later into the lake of fire.

THE RULER OF WHICH WORLD?

> *I will not speak with you much longer, for the ruler of <u>this</u> world is coming. He has no power over me.* *(John 14:30)*

From the scripture above, and in John 16:11, Jesus addressed Satan as "the ruler of this world". The question is, which world was Jesus talking about? Is it the entire world or just a part of it? As a reminder, Jesus said this before His crucifixion and death: *before* ALL POWER was given to Him in Heaven and on earth after His resurrection – as we saw in Matthew 28:18. Which world does Satan rule over?

Apostle Paul wrote in Ephesians 6:12 –

> *For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against* ***the rulers of <u>the darkness</u> of this world****, against spiritual wickedness in high places.*

Apostle Paul, at this time (after Jesus had received all power) did not say, "The rulers of this world" – because the former ruler has been judged. Christ now rules over every spirit, person and thing– because He now has *all exousia* both in Heaven and on earth. Jesus Christ is LORD!

Rather, Apostle Paul said: "the rulers of <u>the darkness</u> of this world." He specified the portion of 'this world' ruled by the rulers as 'the darkness.' That is to say, the evil rulers of 'the darkness.' Satan and his evil rulers do not rule the whole world: they rule only the darkness of this world. Satan is the leader of the darkness and the evil that goes on in the darkness to affect the world.

The darkness Satan and his evil rulers rule over is what is called *the kingdom of darkness*. This is the only territory Satan rules; not the whole earth or the entire world. And by saying Satan rules the kingdom of darkness, we refer to all kinds of evil that goes on in the spirit realm which also manifests physically.

But there is coming a time when all rulerships (even the kingdoms of the world) will become the kingdoms of our LORD Jesus Christ.

> *And the seventh angel sounded; and there were great voices in heaven, saying, The <u>kingdoms of this world</u> are become the*

kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever. *(Revelation 11:15)*

In 2 Corinthians 4:4, Apostle Paul addressed Satan as *the god of this age*. And here too, what the enemy did was to blind those who are perishing and keep them in *the darkness*. Because Satan rules the darkness of this world, he keeps his captives in darkness where he is.

But beloved, I want to remind you that we have been made the light of the world so that those kept in the darkness will see our light and come to God. We should shine forth the light and glory of God so that they will *see* and be saved. And for those who are bound, if you and I will loose them in the name of the LORD Jesus, they shall be loosed: for whomever Jesus sets free, he is free indeed. Hallelujah!

WHO RULES THE WORLD?

I will not speak with you much longer, for the ruler of this world is coming. He has no power over me; *(John 14:30)*

Before his death and resurrection, Jesus Christ addressed Satan as the ruler of 'this world.' But even then, Jesus said, "he has no power over me." Satan had no power over Jesus because Jesus was a <u>righteous</u> man. He was light, and darkness (Satan) never could have ruled over Him.

Likewise, **we who believe in Christ Jesus have the same righteousness bestowed on us**.

Even the righteousness of God which is by faith of Jesus Christ unto all and upon all them that believe: for there is no difference (Romans 3:22)

Therefore, Satan has no power over us who are the Body of Christ, the Church. If you live a holy life, Satan will have nothing in you and no power over you.

In Luke 4:6, Satan claimed to have some power. He showed Jesus the kingdoms of the world. Yes, such power was *relinquished* to him through Adam's disobedience. But, though man sinned and lost his dominion over the earth, God re-affirmed a section of that dominion after the flood in the days of Noah.

And God blessed Noah and his sons, and said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth. And the fear of you and the dread of you shall be upon every beast of the earth, and upon every fowl of the air, upon all that moves upon the earth, and upon all the fishes of the sea; into your hand are they delivered. Every moving thing that lives shall be meat for you; even as the green herb have I given you all things. But flesh with the life thereof, which is the blood thereof, shall you not eat. And surely your blood of your lives will I require; at the hand of every beast will I require it, and at the hand of man; at the hand of every man's brother will I require the life of man. Whoso sheds man's blood, by man shall his blood be shed: for in the image of God made he man? And you, be you fruitful, and

multiply; bring forth abundantly in the earth, and multiply therein. (Genesis 9:1-7)

You will observe that all other authorities which were given to Adam in Genesis 1:26–28were restored to Noah, except the dominion over the earth. That is why God himself became a *man* to reclaim that dominion. And He did reclaim it. In Matthew 28:18, the final restoration took place. **All power** was given to Christ Jesus in Heaven and on earth. God took back the rulership over the earth from Satan.

Pay attention to this: After reclaiming that dominion, the LORD Jesus Christ *wielded it for a season* to those who believe Him. **Jesus gave us His power.** (Luke 10:19)

Satan does not rule this world any longer. Satan only influences what goes on in this world. And his greatest weapon for doing that is the ignorance of Christians to whom Jesus Christ has delegated His sovereign power. Satan's greatest power is your ignorance of the fact that Jesus Christ gave you power to rule the world. Satan's power was your ignorance; but no more!

Let us consider this also: believers in Christ are the light of the whole world. Meanwhile, Satan's kingdom of darkness is *a part* of the world. And we know of a truth that light always prevails over darkness. Therefore, the kingdom of darkness is subject to us.

Satan does not rule the world. **The people who believe Jesus Christ are those who actually rule the world.** And the core of Satan's influence today is the ignorance of most believers: many do not know

that they actually rule the world. And because of their ignorance, all creation is subject to torture waiting for their awakening and manifestation. (Romans 8:19)

The darkness can never comprehend the light. You are the light of the world; therefore, no darkness can withstand you. Beloved, you rule the world. Awake! Awake, people of God; because Satan does not rule the world; you do! Again, I say awake!

As a believer in Christ, the 'ALL POWER' of Jesus Christ has been delegated to you to legislate and rule here on earth. The dominion over the earth has been restored to you. As you pray and deploy your spiritual weapons, you will rule as the person for whom God created the earth, and gave it to dominate. **Believers rule the world. If you indeed are a believer, you are the one who rule the world.**

I GIVE UNTO YOU POWER!

> *Behold, **I give unto you POWER** to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the POWER of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you. (Luke 10:19)*

From the original translation, the first *power*, which Jesus gave us, his disciples, was from the Greek word "exousia." It was not the same word which was used again for the second *power* – in 'over all the *power* of the enemy'. That was from the Greek word "dunamis."

Thus, from the Greek translations, Jesus said:

> *Behold, I give unto you 'exousia' to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the 'dunamis' of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you. (Luke 10:19)*

The LORD Jesus gave us, his disciples, ***exousia*** over all the ***dunamis*** of the enemy. *Exousia* was not given to us over the serpents and scorpions only, but also OVER **ALL** [not some, but ALL] THE POWER OF THE ENEMY (SATAN). Hallelujah!

Before attempting to explain these words, please keep this in mind: Jesus Christ gave YOU power over all the power of Satan. He did not give this power to angels or to pastors alone, he gave exousia to you (his disciple).

Moreover, Jesus did **not** say here that he *will give* you power when he comes again, when you go to Heaven, or during the Millennium. Rather, He said that He has already given it to you.

Now, what is exousia? And what is dunamis?

'Exousia' means the sense of ability that is subjectively competent, and objectively mastery. In other words, 'exousia' means "sovereign powerful authority" or "legally sovereign power." Again, as I stated earlier, 'exousia' simply means sovereign power.

Authority is the legitimate right to do something. *Power* is the ability to do it. *Sovereignty* is an all dominating influence; it is a power which cannot be challenged; it is a right which cannot be opposed. Sovereignty means supremacy or mastery.

Therefore, 'exousia' means the *legitimate right* and *ability* to *do* something or *influence all beings and things* (humans, spirits and things) *without any opposition*. In my own words, 'exousia' means a legally sovereign power. It is supreme rulership.

'Dunamis,' on the hand, is figuratively a force and specifically a **miraculous power**. In other words, dunamis means a wonderful work. That is why even Satan, the false prophet or people who don't know God could perform *magic*. 'Dunamis' is a power that can do something but lacks the legal right to do it; it also lacks sovereignty. Therefore, such power could be opposed and challenged. It can as well be brought into subjection to another power.

Like the rebel forces and terrorists in the world, Satan has some *illegal power*. But only the government has *legal authority and power* over the land. Just like the legal government, the LORD Jesus Christ gave to us

(his disciples) legally sovereign power over all the terrorist and rebel forces (wonder working powers) of the Devil.

To better understand the words ‘exousia’ and ‘dunamis,’ let us consider these Biblical examples:

God’s Prophets	***Versus***	**Pharaoh’s Magicians**

This is an event that well illustrates the all surpassing effect of *exousia* of God’s people over *all the dunamis* of Satan.

> *So Moses and Aaron went to the king and did as the LORD had commanded. Aaron threw his walking stick down in front of the king and his officers and it turned into a snake. Then the king called for his wise men and magicians, and by their magic they did the same thing. They threw down their walking sticks, and the sticks turned into snakes.* ***But Aaron's stick swallowed theirs.***
>
> *(Exodus 7:10-12)*

When Moses and Aaron got to Pharaoh’s palace, they delivered the LORD’s message. After that, they were challenged to prove that a greater God sent them (since Pharaoh also considered himself a god). So Aaron threw his rod (walking stick) onto the ground and it changed into a snake. After that, the magicians of Pharaoh did the same *by their magical powers*.

However, because God had given *exousia* to Moses in Exodus 7:1, the *dunamis* of Pharaoh's magicians could not stand or out-compete Moses and Aaron's power. Aaron's stick swallowed up theirs.

From the *exousia* they received – by *power* they were able to get the stick turned into a snake; by *sovereign authority* the snakes which were the product of the magicians' *dunamis (magical work)* were swallowed up by theirs. It is only by sovereignty that one snake will swallow many other snakes of possibly equal size. Praise the LORD!

Commanding the Storm

Another Biblical event which depicts the supremacy of *'exousia'* over *'dunamis'* is recorded in the book of Luke.

> *Now it happened on a certain day that he went into a ship with his disciples: and he said unto them, Let us go over unto the other side of the lake. And they launched forth. But as they sailed he fell asleep: and there came down a storm of wind on the lake; and they were filled with water, and were in jeopardy. And they came to him, and awoke him, saying, Master, master, we perish. Then he arose, and rebuked the wind and the raging of the water: and they ceased, and there was calm. And he said unto them, Where is your faith? And they being afraid wondered, saying one to another, What manner of man is this! for he commands even the winds and water, and they obey him. And they arrived at the country of the Gadarenes, which is over against Galilee. (Luke 8:22-26)*

When the *dunamis* (storm) arose, Jesus overpowered it by His *exousia*. By Jesus' *sovereignty*, the storm of wind could not dare to challenge Him by persisting even one more seconds. It immediately succumbed. By *authority*, the storm obeyed Jesus when He rebuked it; and by *power*, Jesus rebuked the storm and it became calm.

This is 'exousia' – the kind of power that Christ gave to the Church over all the 'dunamis' power of the enemy. I have this legitimate sovereign power. So do you!

THE ENEMY

> *Behold, I give unto you power .... over all the power of the enemy: (Luke 10:19)*

The LORD Jesus has given *you* power over all the power of 'the enemy.' Who is the enemy?

The enemy is Satan. The enemy is the Devil; and our LORD Jesus has given us power over all his power. This means that you have power over every power Satan has. Talk of idols, witchcraft, marine spirits, dwarfs, principalities, powers, rulers of the darkness of this world, spiritual wickedness in high places, and sin – you have power over all.

See, you have power over even death and Satan himself. You have power over every power (or work) of Satan. You have 'exousia' over all the 'dunamis' of Satan. Hallelujah!

"BEHOLD"

The only problem the Church has had about 2000 years ago up-to today was not that Satan has been too powerful for her, but her failure to *see*the 'exousia' power given to her. Our LORD Jesus knew we could make such a terrible mistake of overlooking the power He has given to us. He knew you might overlook the 'exousia' power He gave to you. That is why, when Jesus gave us *exousia*, he started with a warning, "behold."

> *Behold, I give unto you 'exousia' to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the 'dunamis' of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you. (Luke 10:19)*

Another word for 'behold' is 'see'.

You've got to ***see*** *that you have 'exousia'*. If you can't see it, you can't use it. It is like a man who came across a snake on his way; though he had a stick in his hand, he now went looking for one elsewhere – because he cannot see the one he already had in his hand. You have to see the power in your hand.

When you fail to 'behold' your exousia, you are like a lady whose dad placed a credit card in her purse before she went to college. When her cash got finished, she became hungry and was starving just because she couldn't see the credit card every day she opened her wallet. You must see the stick in your hand. You must see your power in your purse. You must see that you have 'exousia' over all the 'dunamis' of Satan.

See you have a power greater than all the power of Satan. You have power over witchcraft, over idols, juju, marine spirits, occult, principalities, rulers of the darkness, and princes of the air. You have power over sin, death and even over Satan himself. I have seen Satan before; and I have told you how he looks –like an ordinary man in his thirties. (Isaiah 14:16) See, you have power over Satan!

The Church throughout all ages has been blind to this truth; I hope this generation will not make the same mistake. You have to **see** right now that you presently have sovereign power over all principalities and powers, over witches and wizards, over marine and magical powers, over idol and shrine powers, over sin and death, and over every power that Satan himself has. You have exousia. You have supreme power. See it and walk in it. Amen.

Beloved, one more thing you need to know is that Jesus did not give this sovereign power to apostles, prophets, teachers, evangelists or pastors, He gave it to **you**. Once you are a son or daughter of God, a believer in Christ, you have 'exousia.' (Mark 16:17-18) The 'exousia' power is for all sons and daughters of God, **those who believe** Jesus is the Christ.

You have sovereign power over every power Satan has. You have power over sin, over death, over witches, over principalities and powers, and over every power Satan has. From today, see your sovereign power. You are Satan's boss!

I HAVE THE POWER

There was a testimony shared about Arch-Bishop Benson Idahosa. In a confrontation with some witches who would hold a world conference in Benin-City in Nigeria, he was quoted saying:

"That is why I am here. The LORD does not need to consider matters as trivial as the stopping of the conference of witches."

Hallelujah! If I be a man of God! I looked up to Heaven and said, "Father, leave this challenge to me. Do not waste your time in a matter like this. You may look at more important matters! I can handle this."

Many times when we pray, we only trouble God with petty issues that we can handle. Today, we do not need to ASK God to do many things because He himself has ALREADY given us the **capacity** and **power** to handle everything.

> *Behold, I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you. (Luke 10:19)*

Many times when we pray, we say things like: "LORD God, give me, do bla-bla-bla …. in the name of Jesus. Amen." The first part of such prayers most at times is usually wrong. We are just worrying God. Can you imagine Adam asking God for children, food, or job? It's a big NO! God had already given a wife to Adam, hence children; God created everything for his enjoyment, hence food; and God had finished the creation of the earth, hence a lot of jobs. All Adam had to do was go

ahead and be himself – be who God created him to be – own what God gave him – and do what God created him to do (to dominate the earth).

If you can see yourself as having the power God gave you in Luke 10:19 and his promises in the Scriptures, you do not need to even trouble the LORD. YOU WERE CREATED TO DOMINATE AND RULE THE EARTH and that is what you must do! (See Genesis 1:28)

See, even Jesus does not have the power now. Today, YOU have the power. The LORD Jesus *had* the power, but He no more *has* it – because He has given it to YOU. Right now, YOU have the power of God. The power is in your hand.

The LORD gave you His power when He said onto you: "See, I give unto you power." When you open your eyes, who do you see having the power – the LORD or You?

The obvious answer is you! You have the power! Shout, "I have the power!" Shout it again, "I have the power!"

For lack of confidence and false humility, it is not likely for some folks to accept this message. They will say, "Does that mean I have the all-mighty power of God? Yes, you do. Because the All-Mighty God is in you, you have not just Him, but also His all-mighty power. Shout Hallelujah!

Beloved, there is one thing you must see _ and that is the power Jesus Christ gave you. You have the sovereign power of God. You have it NOW! And that means you are in charge now. You determine what

goes on in your life. You determine what goes on in your family, work, nation, and even here on earth.

Because you are in charge, whatever **you** permit on earth is what Heaven also will permit; and whatever **you** disallow is what Heaven also will disallow.

> *And I will give unto you the keys of the kingdom of heaven: and whatsoever you shall bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever you shall loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven. (Matthew 16:19)*

Whatever you bind or loose on earth. It is not the other way round – whatever God, Jesus or Angels bind or loosed in Heaven will be bound or loosed here on earth. NO. It is whatever YOU bound or loosed *first*, here on earth, shall be bound or loosed *also* in Heaven. You are now the managing director on earth, and the authorizer of Heaven. You direct the heavens what to allow or disallow, what to bind or loose, what to permit or not permit, what to bless or curse. You determine what Heaven allows to take place here on earth, in your life, work, health, finances, family, or nation.

The keys of the Kingdom are not in Heaven. They are not in Jesus' hands. They have been handed over to you.

For almost one week I watched the broadcast on DW TV that hurricane Florence was hitting America with a magnitude of five. The day before it landed, as I watched the news again, the Holy Spirit led me to ask, why don't they do anything about it. And He gave me the answer back,

"They do not know they can stop it." As a result, I went to my room, raised my hand and prayed for it to subside. I prayed for less than three minutes; and the following morning a hurricane with magnitude five all of a sudden was downgraded to magnitude one. That was a mere testing of power. Beloved, we have exousia over hurricanes, typhoons, storms, terrorism, and over every *dunamis* of Satan. Hallelujah!

You have the power; you have the power now; but where does Christ fit in? Obviously, you must pray and act in the power CHRIST GAVE YOU. Someone gave you the power; and such one is the LORD Jesus. And your power is in His Name.

> *That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth; (Philippians 2:10)*

One thing you must understand in this scripture also is that SOMEONE MUSTMENTION THE NAME OF JESUS BEFORE EVERY KNEE WILL BOW. And that is not for angels in Heaven or for Jesus to mention His own name. It is for you and me to do. As you mention the name of Jesus, it is a way you are exercising your exousia power.

The only legal way to exercise your exousia power is doing so in the Name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth.

The Bible says in Psalm 110:3 that in the days of God's power, His people shall be willing; and beloved, I want to assure you that we are in those days now. These are the days of God's power. We are going to

see amazing miracles and power demonstrated in the name of Jesus _ and we are the vessels for it. You have the power; use it!

Shout aloud: I have the power.
I have the power of God.
I have the sovereign power of Jesus Christ.

YOU ARE LIGHT – RULER OVER DARKNESS

Then spoke Jesus again unto them, saying, ***I am the light of the world****: (John 8:12)*

The LORD Jesus *was* the light of the world while He was in the world. But now, Jesus is in the world by living inside you and me. Therefore, we now have become the light of the world. That is why Jesus, before leaving the earth, said:

You are the light of the world. *(Matthew 5:14)*

Now, Jesus is not the light of the world; you are. We, the believers in Christ, are the light of the world; and we do not walk in darkness. (John 8:12b) Therefore, we are not under the rule of the wicked one who rules the darkness.

Jesus Christ is the One I have accepted as the LORD and Saviour of my life, not Satan. I don't know about you. And if Jesus is your LORD and you follow Him, then you cannot walk in darkness; neither can Satan have any power over you!

You should know this also: there is no darkness that can overcome or comprehend any light. Therefore, Satan cannot and does not rule over

anyone who believes in Jesus Christ. If you are a follower of Christ, you are the light of the world and the darkness cannot overcome you. You are light; you rule the darkness.

> *And the light shines in darkness; and the darkness comprehended it not. (John 1:5)*

As a believer in Christ, you are a light that darkness (Satan) cannot overpower. You rule over the world. You rule over even the darkness which Satan rules over. Satan's territory, the kingdom of darkness, is subject to yours. Because you are the light, the darkness is subject to you. Satan is under your control.

Satan will continue to intimidate you, and have his way when you fail to see and exercise your 'exousia' over his 'dunamis'. Shine in the darkness because the darkness cannot comprehend you!

THE REIGNING CHURCH

*And having **spoiled** principalities and powers, he made a show of them openly, triumphing over them in it. (Colossians 2:15)*

We are told in the Scripture above that Jesus Christ **spoiled** or **disarmed** the principalities and powers. And because they were disarmed, they have no arm to fight with anymore. They have not just been spoilt, but also become powerless– as Jesus took up all power. Principalities and powers which our LORD has **spoilt** cannot do you any harm.

***Christ rules there above all heavenly rulers, authorities, powers, and lords**; he has a title superior to all titles of authority in this world and in the next. **God put all things under Christ's feet** and gave him to the church as **supreme Lord over all things**. The church is Christ's body, the completion of him who himself completes all things everywhere.*
(Ephesians 1:21-23)

Christ Jesus is the supreme LORD over all powers, beings, persons and things. All things are under His feet.

And we know also that the church is the body of Christ, who himself is the head. Therefore, whatever is under the feet of Christ is under the body (the Church) also. Beloved, all principalities and powers are under you.

The LORD's minister, Dr. Cindy Trim, said that as believers, we do not fight upwards, but downwards – because the enemy we are fighting

is under us, not above us. We were raised with Christ and are seated IN Him in Heavenly places; therefore, the enemy, Satan and all his powers, is under our feet. Glory be to God!

You see, Satan is a rebel from Heaven, and a fugitive on earth. He basically counts on your ignorance to enslave you. But as you have known the truth now, use it to set yourself, family, and others free.

Satan is just one fallen angel and he is trying to rule and dominate the earth. And he doesn't seek to rule only the darkness, but also the people of God. Who are the people of God? We are. And who are we? We are the *sons* of God. And if you are a son of God; and Satan is one cast away *servant* of your Father, who should control the other?

Who are we? Revelation 1:6 reveals who we are. We are kings. We are kings, and Satan who is one rebellious angel should not control us. We are people who have the All-Mighty God dwelling in us – as we shall see in the next chapter. We are people in whom the LORD Jesus Christ dwells. We are people who have God's powerful Holy Spirit in us. Look at yourself well; and see yourself as the image of God. You are the ambassador of Christ here on earth. You are the reigning church, the completion of Christ! You have all power … and nothing shall by any means hurt you!

ABSOLUTE IMMUNITY

There is yet a challenge for us: We must arise and fight for the course of the Kingdom of our God without intimidation because we know Christ our LORD has all power in heaven and on earth. Christ has delegated his 'exousia' to us to reign here on earth.

Beloved, go all out for Christ – make all the kingdoms of the world to become that of our LORD Jesus Christ. Go all out and make the nations Disciples of Christ. And as you do, rest assured that **nothing shall by any means hurt you**.

> *Behold, I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and* ***nothing shall by any means hurt you****.* *(Luke 10:19)*

You are untouchable. You have Christ's immunity against all forces and weapons of darkness. Nothing can <u>by any means</u> hurt you.

WALKING IN GREATER POWER

Is there a power greater than *exousia*? Yes, there is! Your knowledge about the 'exousia' power you have over and above all the 'dunamis' power of Satan should have given you much exaltation. Yet there remains a power which is even greater than the 'exousia' you have read about.

There are two greater powers – far above the 'exousia' power already given to you by the LORD. You have exousia; but you must seek and work for these two greater powers.

The first greater power is LIGHT.

What do I mean by light? Being light means being pure, holy, and righteous - being without spot or blemish.

> *Now this is the gospel message we have heard from him and announce to you: God is light, and in him there is no darkness at all. If we say we have fellowship with him and yet keep on walking in the darkness, we are lying and not practicing the truth. (1John 1:5-6)*

God is light; and there is no darkness in Him. So also if you are the light of the world, you must not carry darkness in you. We must be pure and holy because there is no darkness in light.

The enemy likewise has 'dunamis' power. But Satan's greatest weakness is that he does not have light. He may disguise himself only to appear as an angel of light, but Satan is NOT light. He cannot be an angel of light. Satan is greatly disadvantaged by being the ruler over the darkness.

But because we are light, we are made more powerful than Satan. How?

> *And the light shines on in the darkness, but the darkness has not mastered it. (John 1:5)*

You see, darkness cannot master, lord, comprehend or rule over the light. So if you have light – and you are light, you have a far greater power. You are the light of the world.

You are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hid. (Matthew 5:14)

My greatest desire is not to get more power, but to become more 'light'. If God is light, you also must be light. I want to be pure, perfect, holy and without spot in the eyes of my LORD and God. This must be your yearning too. No power of Satan can touch you if you are holy! Light – Holiness is a power far greater than 'exousia'!

The second greater power is LOVE.

Love is a greater power which, throughout the Bible, has accomplished many wonders that even 'exousia' cannot do.

Love saved us …….. Romans 5:8

Love covers many sins ……. 1Peter 4:8

And love does much more …

Love is a power greater than 'exousia'. Satan has 'dunamis' power accompanied with only hatred, rebellion, and evil.

Beloved, don't just seek power. When you have power and you do not love, you will end up becoming like Satan. Seek love first.

*On that day, many will say to me, 'Lord, Lord, didn't we prophesy <u>in your name</u>, and <u>in your name</u> cast out demons and do many **power**ful **deeds**?' Then I will declare to them, 'I never knew you. Go away from me, you lawbreakers!'*
(Matthew 7:22-23)

In this portion of scripture, we see many true servants of God who used the very 'exousia' power God gave them – to work miracles and wonders *in the name of the LORD* – yet ending up where they shouldn't. These are not false prophets; they are people who actually were genuinely called by God. But they served not in love: the only commandment given under the New Testament. They served in lawlessness. They were lawbreakers walking in sin.

Remember, the only commandment given to us under the New Testament is to love. So these men and women were genuinely called by God; they truly served God; but they failed to obey the commandment to love – to love God, and to love friends and enemies too!

Love is a power greater than even the 'exousia' Christ gave us over all the 'dunamis' of the enemy. If you want a far greater power, seek and walk in love.

> *If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but I do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. And if I have prophecy, and know all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith so that I can remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. If I give away everything I own, and if I give over my body in order to be burned, but do not have love, I receive no benefit. (1Corinthians 13:1-3)*

[Recommended study: 1Corinthians 13:4-13]

Love and Light are the two powers which are not only greater than exousia, but are also <u>safe and incorruptible</u>.

You can walk in exousia and end up with the lawbreakers in the lake of fire. So don't just walk in exousia, strive for these greater powers: to love and be holy (to be light).

THE PURPOSE OF 'ALL POWER'

What is the essence of this chapter? Why has Jesus been given *'all power'* both in Heaven and in the earth? And why did Jesus give us sovereign power over all the miraculous power of the enemy?

> *Then Jesus came up and said to them, "All power in heaven and on earth has been given to me. <u>Therefore</u> go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age." (Matthew 28:18-20)*

Jesus said, "All power in heaven and on earth has been given to me. *Therefore [for this reason]* go and make disciples of all nations …" **The reason why Jesus has "all power" both in Heaven and on earth is <u>for us to go and make disciples of all nations</u>.**

The reason for which Christ has all power; and also given us power over all the power of the enemy *is not for us to boast in having power,* but for us to work: to labour in the vineyard of God – by making disciples. (Matthew 9:37) Go and make Disciples of Christ.

Concluding this chapter, I wish to remind you that we are NOT waiting to be ordained kings to rule in Heaven; but WE ALREADY HAVE BEEN ORDAINED KINGS ON EARTH. Our kingship is not in elegant physical apparels, but by the *words* we speak (in prayer) – to take control of our lives and ministries (our spheres of service and influence – home, office, school, etc.) for Christ.

Beloved, it is time for us the saints to take the kingdom. It is now our turn to rule the world.

> *But **the saints** of the most High **shall take the kingdom, and possess the kingdom for ever**, even for ever and ever.*
> *(Daniel 7:18)*

The Holy Spirit has made me understand from the Scriptures that the saints are not dead people as some false teachers and denominations teach; but we are rather the saints. The believers who are alive and live a holy life are called saints. Thus, God has given us the duty of taking the kingdom and possessing it forever. Amen.

Please bear in mind that Christ Jesus does not share His power with Satan; He has ALL POWER alone. And this same (exousia) power, He has given to you over ALL the (dunamis) power of Satan. Therefore, go all out for Jesus and make disciples; because nothing shall by any means hurt you. You've got exousia! Hallelujah!

MAKE USE OF YOUR 'EXOUSIA'

And Jesus, when he was baptized, went up straightway out of the water: and, lo, the heavens were opened unto him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove, and lighting upon him: (Matthew 3:16)

When Jesus was baptized, he already was filled with the Holy Spirit and power. Jesus Christ was endowed with power at His baptism; hence needed not go on a fast to obtain power.

Then was Jesus led up of the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted of the devil. (Matthew 4:1)

The reason for which the Holy Spirit led Jesus into the wilderness was not to empower Him. Yes, fasting is good; but Jesus didn't fast to get power as people do today. He already had power before going into the wilderness. The purpose for Jesus going into the wilderness, however, was for him to be tempted by the Devil.

Beloved, you do not need to fast to get the 'exousia' power I am talking about. You already have it. You must SEE it in your hand; on your tongue. You have 'exousia.'

Now, after reading this book, you also will be tempted in the wilderness of life. You may encounter sicknesses, demons, and difficult situations. But don't consider these problems. I believe problems don't exist. *Problems are not problems, but signals for prayer and opportunities for solutions and miracles.* As you encounter any situation, you don't have to run to a man of God to pray for you. Rather, exercise your

‘exousia’ power and go about doing good, healing the sick, and raising the dead even as Jesus Christ did when he had the power you now have.

> *How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power: who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil; for God was with him. (Acts 10:38)*

Don’t sit down and cry; the power is in your hand; use it. Exercise your ‘exousia’ over every ‘dunamis’ of Satan; and nothing shall by any means hurt you. Amen.

SUMMARY

1. Satan is a rebel and fugitive from Heaven; and has been judged.
2. Satan and his demonic forces are still at war in the land attempting to control territories (homes, churches, and nations) that is rightfully that of the Conqueror – Jesus.
3. God re-affirmed part of man's dominion over the earth after the flood in the days of Noah. Later, God became a man and reclaimed the dominion over the earth.
4. Satan rules over only 'the darkness' of this world, not the entire world.
5. Everyone that is Christ's captive is our captive too; and everything that is under Christ's feet is under our feet too.
6. Jesus Christ gave us, His disciples, sovereign legal power over all the miraculous power of Satan.
7. Christ Jesus has delegated His 'all power' to the believers– to legislate and rule the earth.
8. The reason why Jesus has 'all power' both in Heaven and on earth is for us to go and make disciples of all nations.
9. The power is in your hand. See, you have exousia.

***Behold*, <u>I give unto you power</u> to tread on serpents and scorpions, and <u>over all the power of the enemy</u>: *and nothing shall by any means hurt you*. (Luke 10:19)**

Chapter 4

ORIGINAL

HAVE YOU EVER EATEN POISON?

> *And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues; They shall take up serpents; and* ***if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them****; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover. (Mark 16:17-18)*

While speaking with someone about the power Christ gave us, I reminded her that Jesus said if even we ate poison, it shall not hurt us. I assured her that even physical poison shall not hurt us. Amen! Then she asked me, "Have you ever eaten poison?" I said, "yes." But she wouldn't believe so I couldn't share the testimony with her.

There was a time I prayed and *insured* my body that if anything poisonous enters my stomach; it must come out within minutes. Some days after, a friend brought me some food prepared for me by one of his relatives. I took it to my prayer altar and after, ate it. Less than two minutes after eating, I had to rush to the wash room.

Beloved, your body has been insured with the blood of Christ, and nothing shall by any means hurt you – if you believe. In the same Luke 10:19 where Jesus Christ gave us power over all the power of Satan, He has also said that NOTHING SHALL BY ANY MEANS HURT US.

> *... and nothing shall by any means hurt you. (Luke 10:19)*

Amen! This is your original nature in Christ.

YOU ARE ORIGINAL

> *Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold all things are become new. (2Corinthians 5:17)*

Every human is born in the slavery of sin; but anyone who is born again is made free and becomes a new creation in Christ. As such, he or she is unique from all other people in the world who haven't yet met Christ.

When you are born again (by believing and accepting Jesus Christ as your Saviour and LORD), you become a child of God; and as a child of God, you now have the traits of God. As such, a person who is born again is special. He or she is a special creation of God. Thus, he or she is 'original' or 'unique'.

By original, I mean something that is unique and special – perfectly fit to be called the image of God, without defect or flaw. *In Christ, you have become the exact likeness of God – the original image God created of Himself in the beginning.*

As an original image and child of God, you are not supposed to be overtaken by worries, storms, sicknesses or any kind of affliction. If God is not sick, then His image cannot be sick. The image is only a reflection of the real. If God cannot die, then his image doesn't die because as he is, so are you, even on this earth.

The child of God is not like any other person upon the face of the earth. Every child of God is exactly like God. The image of God may encounter challenges as other people do, but as the Bible says, you are more than conquerors.

In an attempt to understand how we should live our new life as the 'original' children of God, we shall consider how the original DVD player and mobile phone works.

MORE THAN THE DVD PLAYER

An original Digital–Video–Disc (DVD) player accepts only genuine discs. If you insert into it a disc which is cracked or scratched, it does not recognize it. It classifies it as "wrong disc"– as displayed on the television screen. The DVD player rejects and ejects cracked, scratched or spoilt disc.

The cracked, scratched, or spoilt disc which the DVD player rejects can be compared to certain things in real life. They can be likened to misfortunes and evil which attempt to come into the believer's life.

Now, understand this: if you are a child of God, you are more special than a DVD player. And as the DVD player **refuses** to recognize

cracked or spoilt discs, so have you also the **right** to refuse any wrong, unfavourable, or evil thing that comes your way. You can exercise the power of the God through prayer to cast out anything contrary to the will of God from your life.

> *And when he [Jesus] had called unto him his twelve disciples, he gave them power against unclean spirits, **to cast them out**, and to heal all manner of sickness and all manner of disease. (Matthew 10:1)*

Jesus gave us power to cast out devils (unclean spirits). Such evil spirits are the powers behind every sickness and evil that comes upon man. [According to Matthew 8:14-15, even fever is caused by a demon; if it is not due to lack of rest.] Yet, Jesus has given us, his followers, power to cast them out. And if you have the power to cast out the power behind the sickness or problem, you have control also over the problem.

Also as we have seen in chapter one, every physical thing is a manifestation of the spiritual. Therefore, if you see any sickness, disease, trouble, or whatever, please go into your room and pray. Use your exousia power to eject everything in your life that you do not like.

No evil should overcome you! You have the power to reject and eject (cast out) any unclean thing from your life – **in the name of Jesus**. Arise and exercise that authority.

You may say, well, that was the twelve disciples Jesus was talking to; but read this:

*And these signs shall follow **them that believe**; In my name shall **they cast out devils;** they shall speak with new tongues; (Mark 16:17)*

Here, Jesus didn't say the disciples or pastors, but anyone who believes in Him. Do you really believe? If you do, then you have the same power the disciples had. You have the power to reject and eject any evil you see that you do not like; only do it in the name of the LORD Jesus.

As an original child of God and the original image of God, nothing evil or bad has a place in your life. I do not say they will not come or surface at all. They will come your way as long as you live in this world. But, **the choice to accept or reject them is yours.**

One thing you should remember always is that Heaven is in agreement with your choice: either yes or no. Heaven is in agreement with your personal stand for or against any insurgence of evil in your life, or the life of a beloved, family or friend. Even when transgression existed, you may apply for mercy. (1 John 1:9) But if you accept the evil (or say yes to it by failing to pray), Heaven also will endorse your decision. If you reject it or say no to it, Heaven too will say no.

*Verily I say unto you, Whatsoever **you** shall bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever **you** shall loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven. (Matthew 18:18)*

We have access to the Throne of God to direct the affairs of our lives and the course of this world – according to the will of God in Heaven.

If you will forbid any evil in your house, in your life, family, or for someone, Heaven also will forbid it.

MORE THAN AN ORIGINAL PHONE

Now, let us consider the mobile phone. When you try to charge an original phone with an **un**original or fake charger, the phone does not recognize it. Fake or counterfeit chargers do not charge original phones.

Can you compare a mobile phone to yourself? Not at all! You are by no means a match for a mere phone. Yet, if a mere phone does not recognize chargers which are fake, neither allows them to charge (or influence) it, how can you allow evil to have any influence over your life?

You are an original child of the most high God who was bought with the precious blood of the LORD –you cannot let sin, sickness, disease, accident or any evil have dominion over you. You must reject and eject them.

The wiles and devices of the enemy should not in any way influence your life – if you do not want them to. *Exercise your dominion over your daily life affairs through prayer.* Also, be filled with the word of life and the Holy Ghost; leave no room for anything unoriginal to stay in you. You are precious!

EXPATRIATE

Assume you find yourself in a foreign country, and you do not have the required legal documents needed to stay in that country, what will

happen to you? You will be given time to move out of that country. If you fail to do so within the stipulated time, you will be forced out or expelled from that country. You will be expatriated.

As an original child of God, **your body is your territory or your country**. If something comes into it which does not meet *your requirements*, you have the right and the power to expatriate it by praying.

Again, you have your home, school, work and the people around you as other territories to watch over. When you see any illegal immigrant like sickness, demons, failure, etc. at work in them, you have been given 'exousia' power to expatriate those things on their behalf.

MERE TOOLS

> *Lest Satan should get an advantage of us: for we are not ignorant of his devices. (2Corinthians 2:11)*

There are many devices, schemes, weapons, fiery darts and tools of the devil. Sicknesses and diseases are just some of them. Such tools have no power of their own. Even naturally, though cutlass is a power tool, it has no power of its own; but it functions as someone uses it. Likewise, sickness has no power of its own. It is Satan who uses it to afflict you.

However, the sickness or any other evil is able to afflict you not necessarily because Satan came to deposit it in your body, but mainly because ***you allow*** it to be in your life. In the first place, no sickness, disease, failure or evil of any form can by its own power come into your

life. Any time you fall sick, you must know that someone came to place the sickness in your body; and such one is Satan or his demons.

The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy;(John 10:10)

Satan is the thief who comes to steal your health, your joy, your life, your wealth and any other good thing that God blesses you with. Satan is the destroyer trying to destroy your marriage or your health; he is the killer trying to kill you with that sickness. And if you allow him, he will have his way and murder you. Thank God you have the right to say No! You have the power to say no to sickness, failure or any kind of evil. And that is what you must say from today.

As said earlier, sicknesses and diseases are mere tools of the devil. As tools, such things (sin, sickness, disease, failure or whatever Satan is fighting you with) have no power of their own. They remain in your body or your life after the devil has deposited them there to afflict you. The only time they will leave is after the depositor (the Devil) comes back for them. And guess what? Satan is partying – rejoicing that you are suffering and never will come back for them. That is why you must use your 'exousia' power to expatriate and reject them by yourself.

Cast out the sicknesses and demons – because that is what Jesus gave you power to do; He died so that you can use His name to access your deliverance.

Reject and eject every sickness, failure, evil thought or work that Satan has put into your life. If a common DVD player ejects what it doesn't like (what is not good for it), how much more you – a child of God?

Arise in faith; and by prayer, reject and eject every work of Satan from your life – because you are an original child of God and nothing evil should stay in you. You are light; therefore, allow no darkness to remain in you.

NOW THAT YOU ARE HIS CHILD

Before we accepted Jesus Christ as our LORD and Saviour, we were sinners and **enemies** of God. But now as we believe Jesus Christ, we have become **children** of God. (See John 1:12) Yet, God delivered us from sin, death and darkness not when we were His children, but enemies.

> *Who has delivered us from the power of darkness, and has translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son (Colossians 1:13)*

Now let me ask you, if God has delivered you from the power of darkness when you were His enemy, how eager will He now that you are His child? Jesus Christ has come so that you may have life, not sickness nor death. He has come so that you can have life in abundance. Hallelujah!

> *I have come so that they may have life, and may have it abundantly. (John 10:10)*

God will not only deliver you from power of Satan, but also will deliver you from all his devices and tools – afflictions, sicknesses, snares, etcetera. God is only waiting for your **call** [your **prayer**]. Pause reading

this book for a minute and call on Him! Just call in prayer right now; He will answer you. (See Jeremiah 33:3)

SATAN HAS NOTHING IN ME

> *Hereafter I will not talk much with you: for* ***the prince of this world comes, and has nothing in me.*** *(John 14:30)*

There was nothing evil found in our LORD Jesus Christ. No sickness, no sin, no bondage; nothing of the enemy was found in him. You too are a child of God just like Jesus; and so nothing of the devil should be found in you.

If Satan tries to put something in you, remember, you have the power to reject and eject it. Sin, sickness, and failure belong to the Devil. Let nothing which belongs to Satan stay in you!

SOME TESTIMONIES

I thank God very much for the experience. If I had not enjoyed it, I would not have considered writing to share with you on your right as an original child of God. In a sermon preached on 26thJuly 2015, God's servant, Bishop Charles Agyin Asare asked the congregation to say, "I am original." At that time, I had some heaviness in my chest. When I ate or drunk anything, I felt pain and heaviness in my chest. The situation had been there for days and made me uncomfortable.

Immediately I received the *rhema* of the message, "I am original," I went into my room to pray. I remember even hitting my chest while I prayed on the word. [Please I do no say that you hit any part of your body where you may have problem at.] After praying, I noticed the pain reduced.

Later, I attended nature's call and went for a bath. The astounding thing was that, after bathing that evening, something came out of my anus – a hard phlegmy substance which didn't come out when I attended nature's call. It was then that I knew what disturbed me. It happened this way so I will have this testimony. Praise God!

There were several diseases, that by the power of the Spirit of God, I overcame since starting to live on this new found truth. Be it headache, stomach upset, ulcer or whatever that dared to cause any discomfort in my life; I enforce my right to live a free life as an original child of God. My body is the temple of God, not the temple of disease, sickness, or any demon. So is yours. Hallelujah!

I remember also a day when a boil appeared under my right armpit. I prayed for it to disappear and as it died off, another started to emerge in my left armpit. But affliction shall not rise up the second time. (Nahum 1:9) I held it and pinched it hardly. I said to it: “My body is not your temple. You will not grow here.” And it obeyed. It didn’t grow. I nipped it in the bud by prayer and faith in Jesus Christ.

This message of being original is one of the truths I believe our LORD Jesus lived on so that in His earthly life, He never suffered sickness or any other infirmity in His body. Nothing of the devil was found in Him. He was the Lamb of God without flaw. And if He suffered no disease on earth; we also must suffer none.

Jesus Christ lived above petty worries like sicknesses and diseases and all manner of evil. Can you imagine the man who just *touched* Peter’s mother-in-law and she was healed of fever – later suffering the same fever, or malaria, cholera, diarrhea, diabetes, hypertension, ulcer, headache, stomach upset or any other disease? No way! By His strips we were healed; how could He himself be sick?

> *And when Jesus was come into Peter's house, he saw his wife's mother laid, and sick of a fever. And he touched her hand, and the fever left her: (Matthew 8:14-15)*

FAITH IS KEY

Faith is very important! You need faith to walk in this kind of truth. If you will live the new life just as Jesus did, you MUST have faith.

> *For whatsoever is born of God overcomes the world: and **this is the victory that overcomes the world, even <u>our faith</u>**.*
> *(1 John 5:4)*

The victory or power with which you overcome the world, sin, diabetes, hypertensions, ulcer, headache, or any other evil of the world is **your own faith**.

YOUR BODY IS GOD'S HOLY TEMPLE

The Bible says also that the body of the believer is the temple of the Holy Spirit.

> *Don't you know that **your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit**, who lives in you and who was given to you by God? You do not belong to yourselves but to God; (1 Corinthians 6:19)*

If your body indeed is the temple of God's Holy Spirit, I am very sure the Holy Spirit will not like to stay in a sick body. The Holy Spirit cannot come to terms with the devices of the devil. It just cannot happen! The Holy Spirit cannot cohabit with any sickness in your body. Your body is the temple of God; let no sickness dwell in it.

> *How can right and wrong be partners? How can light and darkness live together? How can Christ and the Devil agree? (2 Corinthians 6:14-15)*

If the Spirit of Christ is in you and **you** want to have your freedom from sickness, failure, or any evil work, you can have it right now. The Bible says in 2 Corinthians 3:17,

> *… where the Holy Spirit is, there is LIBERTY.*

Invite the Holy Spirit to take control right now. Ask Him to give you your freedom according to the Word of God.

Do not allow yourself to be down stricken by *mere tools* of the devil, not even by the devil himself. You know what? If you are an original child of God, not even Satan can touch you.

> *We know that whosoever is born of God sins not; but* ***he that is begotten of God keeps himself, and <u>that wicked one touches him not</u>****. (1John 5:18)*

I dare you to operate in faith right now. **Your faith is the precious seed of miracles the Holy Spirit has planted in your heart.** Through PRAYER, reject and eject every sickness, disease, failure or evil out of your life right now. Declare, claim and walk in your liberty as an original child of God. Don't wait; claim your liberty now!

USE YOUR TONGUE TO COMMAND IT

God spoke (commanded) everything into existence. This includes everything: the sun, moon, trees, and anything you could think of. In fact, the entire universe came into existence sequentially as God *spoke*. God formed only man out of the dust: for all the other things, He just spoke and they existed. That's the power to command.

God <u>said</u>, "Let there be light." And there was light! Genesis 1:3

God only had to **speak** for the universe to be created. And that power of creation is on your tongue too. God has put it there. Speak the change you desire, acknowledge it, and walk in it.

> *A man's belly shall be satisfied with the fruit of his mouth; and with the increase of his lips shall he be filled. Death and life are in the power of the tongue: and they that love it shall eat the fruit thereof. (Proverbs 18:20-21)*

You have **life** and **death** right there on your tongue – even now as you read "God in Me." Can you imagine that? If you say to the dying "live" he/she/it will live; and if you say to anything to die, it will surely die. You have the creation power of God on your tongue. Use it; and use it well because you will account to God for every word you speak. (See Matthew 12:36)

You are an original child of God. You are the exquisite image of God. Let nothing of the Devil be found in you. Permit no evil work of Satan to stay in your body. When they come, reject, eject and expatriate them – because that is what the LORD Jesus gave you power to do – to cast them out.

The power is on your tongue. Do not keep quiet. Use your power (your tongue) to *decree* what you want to see in the Name of Jesus. It's time to command your liberty. Decree it now!

> ***<u>You</u> shall also <u>decree</u> a thing, and it shall be established for you: and the light shall shine on your ways. (Job 22:28)***

SUMMARY

1. Every human is born a slave of sin; but anyone who believes and receives Jesus into his or her life becomes a child of God.
2. Like the DVD player, you can reject and eject any wrong or evil thing that tries to come into your life.
3. As a child of the most high God, you should not have your life influenced by evil –things you do not like.
4. Your body is your territory or your country. If something comes into it which does not meet your requirements, you have the right and the power to expatriate it by praying.
5. Sicknesses and diseases are mere tools of the devil; and as tools, they have no power of their own; throw them out of your life.
6. If God has delivered you from the power of darkness when you were His enemy, how eager will He now that you are His child?
7. Your faith will help you to walk in this awareness: an original child of God; the exquisite image of God.
8. God has put the power to command change on your tongue. Speak the change you desire, acknowledge it, and walk in it!

Chapter 5

GOD IN ME

Who is the Holy Spirit? How does He relate to God? To know the Holy Spirit is very important because He is the One living in us.

The Holy Spirit is Jehovah. In this chapter, we shall explore this revelation into much detail; and know of truth that God is living in us.

THE HOLY SPIRIT AS THE "SPIRIT OF GOD"

The Holy Spirit is also called the "Spirit of God." Many believers in Christ Jesus have not really understood what this statement means. As a result, they do not know who lives in them and who they truly are in Christ. As such, they are unable to live as they should: to live victoriously.

The Holy Spirit is NOT a third person in some misconceived doctrine called 'Trinity.' The Holy Spirit is not a third person. He is the "Spirit of God."

God is a spirit, and the "Spirit of God" is not different from God.

The Spirit of God, also called Holy Spirit, is not another spirit who is apart from God, or who works for God. The Spirit of God is God himself, not another spirit. God is Spirit and His Spirit is not different from Him; His Spirit is Him.

> ***God is spirit****, and the people who worship him must worship in spirit and truth." (John 4:24)*

IN GENESIS

> *[1]In the beginning **God** created the heaven and the earth. [2]And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And **the Spirit of God** moved upon the face of the waters. [3]And God said, Let there be light: and there was light. (Genesis 1:1-3)*

After seeing what was there (the void), God moved upon the face of the waters. But the God who moved upon the face of the waters IS NOT HUMAN OR FLESH. HE IS A SPIRIT.

In verse one, the writer did not tell us what nature God is of, whether flesh, spirit, fire, or whatever. But here in verse two, he tells us how God is. He discloses the nature of God by saying: "… the Spirit of God …." So we know God is a spirit, not human.

Beloved, you should understand also that it was a spirit who created the universe; and that Spirit is God. It was not another spirit different from God who moved, but God Himself (who is a spirit). It was not the spirit

of Adam, not the spirit of Satan, nor the spirit of any man, but the Spirit who is God.

It was written, “Spirit of God,” to teach us that God is a Spirit – that’s all. It never was a premise for a false doctrine called ‘Trinity.’ If this wasn’t written, someone will ask, how can God move on water? The answer is simple: God is a Spirit, and can move on water. So God, as a Spirit, moved upon the face of the waters.

Our attempt to separate God from His Spirit is not just immature, but also misleading. God is a Spirit; and the Spirit of God is God himself; not a third person.

In the third verse of Genesis chapter one, God started His work of creation: He commanded light to appear, and light appeared. God, who is a Spirit, the Holy Spirit, called forth light and light appeared.

God is a Spirit; and the Spirit of God is God, not a third person in Trinity. The Spirit of God is God himself. The Holy Spirit is Jehovah.

I WILL POUR OUT MY SPIRIT

God promised to pour out **His Spirit** upon all flesh in the last days.

> *And you shall know that I am in the midst of Israel and that I am the LORD your God, and none else: and my people shall never be ashamed. And it shall come to pass afterward, that I will pour out **my spirit** upon all flesh; and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions: And also upon the servants and upon the handmaids in those days will I pour out my spirit. (Joel 2:27-29)*

God said that He will pour out His own Spirit, not another Spirit. He said that He will pour out **Himself** –because He was a Spirit. Understand that at such time God was not yet flesh and never could have poured out His flesh. But He could pour out His Spirit – because He was Spirit.

On the day of Pentecost, God poured His Spirit, **the Holy Spirit**, upon the Disciples of Christ. And onto this day, God continues to pour Himself– the Holy Spirit upon all flesh.

> *And when the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them. And they were all filled with **the Holy Ghost**, and began to speak with other tongues, as **the Spirit** gave them utterance.*

(Acts 2:1-4)

Beloved, on the day of Pentecost, which Spirit was poured out? It was the Holy Spirit. And the Holy Spirit is not a spirit different from God, but God Himself. You can as well say that God poured out Himself on Pentecost. It is this same Spirit, God's Spirit whom He poured out that we call "Holy Spirit." God poured His Spirit because He is Spirit.

'THE SPIRIT'WHICH IS 'GOD'

Apostle Paul wrote in Ephesians 6:17,

"… and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God."

What is the sword in this verse? And who is referred to as "the Spirit"?

In this Scripture, the phrase "the sword" identifies with "the word" while the phrase "the Spirit" represents "God."

the sword		*the word*
of	which is	of
the Spirit		**God**

'The Spirit' which is *'God'*.

God is Spirit. Therefore, the Spirit of God is God Himself. God is not a man who lives in a body. He is fully Spirit. Because God is fully Spirit, He does not have another Spirit in His Spirit; the same God is Spirit; and His Spirit is the same as He.

The Spirit of God is God. The Spirit of God, who is also called Holy Spirit, is God. He is Jehovah. He is El-Shaddai. The Holy Spirit is

Yahweh. He is Adonai. The Holy Spirit is whatever you know the name of God to be. The Holy Spirit is EL. And whenever you call God, you call the Holy Spirit; when you call the Holy Spirit, you call the God who created the universe. They are one. The Holy Spirit is God Himself.

Note: I am not saying the Holy Spirit does not exist, but that the Holy Spirit is Jehovah, the All-Mighty God Himself!

Now <u>the Lord</u> is that Spirit. *(2 Corinthians 3:17)*

WHY THE WORD 'HOLY'

We have known earlier from John 4:24 that God is Spirit. We also call Him Holy Spirit. Why do we call God "Holy" Spirit?

There are different kinds of spirits. By nature, there are two kinds of spirits: 'holy spirits' and 'evil spirits'. By operation, there are 'good spirits' and 'evil or bad spirits.' God is a *holy* and *good* Spirit.

There is a spirit, which is "holy" – and this Spirit is God Jehovah. Angels are also holy spirits; but anytime we say "the Holy Spirit," we refer to the boss – God Himself. **The word "holy" is just an adjective** used to describe the kind of spirit being spoken of. "Holy" is used to make a distinction between holy spirit and evil spirit. God is Spirit; He is not an evil spirit, but a *holy* Spirit.

You will realize also that most Old Testament writings used small letter 'h' to start the word "holy." (See Psalm 51:11, Isaiah 63:10-11 and Ephesians 1:13 for the New Testament writings.) This is because "holy" is just an adjective qualifying the Spirit being spoken of. Holy is the LORD God. God is holy. He is a 'holy' Spirit.

Another incredible revelation is shared in Romans 8:9. Here, the Holy Spirit had three distinct names: *the Spirit*, *God's Spirit*, and *the Spirit of Christ*.

> *But you do not live as your human nature tells you to; instead, you live as* ***the Spirit*** *tells you to---if, in fact,* ***God's Spirit*** *lives in you. Whoever does not have* ***the Spirit of Christ*** *does not belong to him. (Romans 8:9)*

Only when you fail to acknowledge that all the three names address one Spirit, then would you have three separate spirits to talk about, which is not Biblical. All three names address one Spirit – the Holy Spirit. And the Holy Spirit is God.

The LORD Jesus Christ promised to come *with* the Father and live in anyone who obeys His words. Even this is an additional testimony that God dwells in you. The names – "the Spirit," "God's Spirit," and "the Spirit of Christ" – all address just one Spirit, God.

> *Jesus answered and said unto him, If a man love* ***me****, he will keep my words: and* ***my Father*** *will love him, and* ***we*** ***will come unto him, and make*** ***our*** ***abode with him.*** *(John 14:23)*

Jesus Christ lives in you!

God lives in you!

GOD, THE FATHER IN JESUS

"Do you not believe, Philip, that I am in the Father and ***the Father is in me****? The words that I have spoken to you," Jesus said to his disciples, "do not come from me.* ***The Father, who remains in me****, does his own work."* *(John 14:10)*

Jesus Christ referred to the Spirit dwelling in him as "the Father." Who is Jesus' Father? God. [It was **not** Joseph who impregnated Mary to give birth to Jesus. Therefore, Joseph is not the biological father of Jesus. Angel Gabriel told Mary that **the Holy Spirit** will come upon her; therefore, the child she will give birth to will be called the Son of God (not the Son of Joseph). (See Luke 1:35) And if the Holy Spirit came upon Mary and Jesus was born, then Jesus is the Son of the Holy Spirit. Yet, Jesus is called the Son of God. This further explains to us that the Holy Spirit is the same as God.]

Hence, the father of Jesus is God. Now Jesus was saying his Father was dwelling in Him. How? It was the Holy Spirit (who gave birth to Jesus) who was dwelling in him. The Holy Spirit was 'the Father' dwelling in Jesus Christ. And the Holy Spirit, who was in Jesus, was his Father, God.

Jesus said also in John 8:16, *"And yet if I judge, my judgment is true: for* ***I am not alone****, but* ***I and the Father*** *that sent me."*

Once upon a time, there arose questions about the source of Jesus' authority to cast out demons. He responded by saying that God, who is a Spirit living in him (Jesus), gives him the power to cast out demons.

*No, it is not Beelzebub, but **God's Spirit**, who gives me the power to drive out demons, which proves that the Kingdom of God has already come upon you. (Matthew 12:28)*

GOD IN ME

Now it is our turn. The Holy Spirit is God, and if God was in Jesus while he was on earth, today, He is in us. My brother, my sister, God is living in you – not in heaven, but in you. God himself comes to live in everyone who believes in Jesus Christ.

*Surely you know that <u>you are God's temple</u> and that **God's Spirit lives in you**! (1 Corinthians 3:16)*

Apostle Paul pointed out that we have a Spirit living in us. This Spirit is God's Spirit. **The Spirit living in us is not another being's spirit, but God's (own) Spirit. That is to say, *the Spirit (who is) God* is living in us.** Hallelujah!

He also said that we are God's temple. As God's temple, God lives in us. God does not send another "Being" to come and dwell in His temple. Rather, God Himself dwells in us. As temples of God, God Himself, who is a Spirit, a holy Spirit, dwells in us. Hallelujah!

Therefore, to say; my body is the temple of the Holy Ghost equals saying my body is the temple of God. God, who is Spirit, dwells in our bodies to transform us to befit His Kingdom.

Over the years, we had failed to know and understand this mystery: that the Holy Spirit is God. Hence, we have not been able to appreciate who

we are in Christ. We had failed to understand and appreciate the fact that God Jehovah –the LORD of Hosts – is living in us. This is beyond the comprehension of man, but it is the truth. God is in you.

God dwells in everyone who believes in Jesus Christ. Beloved, the one who is called **the Alpha and Omega is in you!**

> *Beloved, if God so loved us, we ought also to love one another. No man has seen God at any time.* ***If we love one another, God dwells in us****, and his love is perfected in us. Hereby know we that we dwell in him, and* ***he in us****, because he has given us of his Spirit. And we have seen and do testify that the Father sent the Son to be the Saviour of the world.* ***Whosoever shall confess that Jesus is the Son of God, God dwells in him****, and he in God. And we have known and believed the love that God has to us. God is love; and he that dwells in love dwells in God, and* ***God in him.*** *Herein is our love made perfect, that we may have boldness in the Day of Judgment: because as he is, so are we in this world. (1 John 4:11-17)*

The Scripture above lends credence to the fact that God dwells in everyone who believes Jesus Christ and walks in love. God dwells in me; He dwells in you too. God is in you!

This is what Pastor Anita Oyakhilome wrote in the booklet, 'The Father in you':

> *""Let me ask you a question: Have you ever seen God the Father? Now don't be too quick to say no, because Jesus said, "If you have*

seen me, you have seen the Father," Hallelujah! If Jesus could say that of Himself and we've been made one with Him even as He is one with the Father (John 17:21-22), then you can also say of yourself, "If you have seen me, you have seen the Father." In fact, next time you're in church, just look at the brother or sister sitting beside you and ***see the Father in them****. These are not just my words; they are the words of the Lord Jesus Himself!""*

Summarily, she said: God is in the brother or sister sitting next to you in Church. God lives in you of a truth. Believe this: God is in you! Hallelujah!

Feel free to shout it aloud: **God is in me!**

THE HOLY SPIRIT – THE POWER OF GOD

The Holy Spirit is also the Power of God (at work).

Acknowledging the greatness and ability of God, Apostle Paul wrote:

> *Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to* ***the power that works in us****, Unto him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end. Amen. (Ephesians 3:20-21)*

This verse was written by Apostle Paul to praise God; nevertheless, it is often used rather to ask things in prayer. However, we are informed through this same verse that there is a power working in the person who believes Jesus Christ. That power is the Holy Spirit.

Particularly in the Old Testament, as God works on earth, people referred to Him as *"the Spirit of the LORD."* Seeing the holy Spirit's works on earth, some people called Him "the Spirit of the LORD." And this is based on the evidence of the power of God demonstrated on the earth.

Let us read one of Apostle Paul's prayers for the Ephesians.

> *I ask that your minds may be opened to see his light, so that you will know what is the hope to which he has called you, how rich are the wonderful blessings he promises his people, and how very great is his power at work in us who believe.* ***This power working in us is the same as the mighty strength which he used when he raised Christ from death*** *and seated him at his right side in the heavenly world. (Ephesians 1:18)*

There is a power at work in you. That *power* is the mighty strength of God with which He raised Jesus from death. This mighty strength of God is the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit is the power of God in you. God's mighty power is in you.

THE HOLY SPIRIT – THE BREATH OF GOD

The Spirit of God is also the Breath of God. When this left Adam, he died spiritually. He lost the power of God also [which was his dominion over the earth]. A person's spiritual life is based on fellowship with God. When a person is born-again, he or she is restored with the Holy Spirit which is the Breath of God. And once you are born again, you are restored not just with 'exousia' power to dominate the earth, but also with the life of God.

A person who gives birth becomes the parent of the child. Likewise, the Holy Spirit of God re-births anyone who believes Jesus Christ – for him or her to become a child of God. The point here is that, a different spirit apart from God Himself cannot give birth to us to become children of God. [And if the Spirit of God gives birth to you, you are a child of God. God is your spiritual Father, who gave birth to you. Therefore, call no man spiritual father upon this earth. (Matthew 23:9) God alone has the honour of being called your spiritual Father because He gave birth to you.]

It is only God's (own) Spirit [that is, God Himself] who can give birth to us to become God's children. This further attests to the truth that the Holy Spirit is not just the Breath of God, but He is God; He is Jehovah.

Therefore, as the Holy Spirit is in you, it implies that God (Jehovah) is dwelling in you. The Holy Spirit is God living in you; and He gives you eternal life.

To become a child of God (if you are not yet), just BELIEVE and RECEIVE Jesus Christ into your life – as your LORD and Saviour. That's all. Then Christ will give you the power [Holy Spirit]to become a child of God.

> *But as many as received him [Jesus], to them he gave the power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name:*
>
> *(John 1:12)*

CAUTION

The fact that God dwells in you does not mean you have become God. You are still you (a man)! God is Spirit dwelling in you. He chose you! (John 15:16) He came to dwell in you. Hence, if you try to exalt yourself, you will fall. Obey Him. **You are under God's control.** God is God; you are you. The Spirit is LORD. (2Corinthians 3:17) Obey the LORD who dwells in you. You must be led by Him. (Romans 8:14) God is God, and you are still who you are (a man).

The fact that God lives in you is not a guarantee for earthly pleasantries, riches, or glories. No man ever was anointed or filled with the Holy Spirit as Jesus Christ was. (Acts 10:38) Yet, Jesus suffered hunger while He was on earth. (Matthew 4:2) He lacked money. (Matthew 17:24-27) He was mocked; He went through series of trials and tribulations. Yet God was in Him. God was in Him even on the cross. And if you can bare it, Jesus was God manifested in the flesh. (1 Timothy 3:16)

The essence of God dwelling in you is not that you gain earthly possessions. It is very unfortunate though that there are many people who are being misled with what some call "prosperity gospel." Don't be deceived! This is not the Gospel of Christ Jesus which saves!

You cannot serve both God and mammon. (See Matthew 6:24) The only gospel there is – is the Gospel of the Kingdom, Christ, salvation, or the eternal gospel. (Matthew 24:14, 1Corinthians 9:18, Ephesians

1:13, Revelation 14:6) Any other gospel is fake. God in you doesn't guarantee earthly pleasantries. Beware!

Finally, **God in you does not exempt you from the tests, trials and temptations of this life.** It does not exempt you from the enemy's attacks. But as God lives in you, you are more than even conquerors. (Romans 8:31-37) Praise God!

THE ESSENCE

The essence of God living in us is for Him to exercise His authority at His will, as He wills, to His Glory *through* us. We only are special vessels.

You have not become God and never can; but the good news is that **you have an incomparably great partner, who is the All-Mighty God.** He is the one in you. He is on your side. He is for you – not against you. He is in you to accomplish all His good plans for your life. Hallelujah!

The One who lives in me, in you, or in everyone who believes Jesus Christ, is a Spirit. He is a holy Spirit. And He is God. Hallelujah!

The Holy Spirit is the Power of God in you. Hence, **you have God's unsurpassed power in you.** And by believing Jesus Christ, you have the authority to exercise His dominion on earth. Behold, the LORD Jesus has given you His 'exousia' power over and above all the power of Satan. God lives in you and Satan is not your match. No demon can challenge you. Therefore, go all out and fulfill the purpose of God for your life.

The primary essence of this chapter is to let you know that God lives inside you. Say it aloud: "God lives in me." Beyond that, you should know also that the power of the All-Mighty is at your disposal **to do greater works for Him on earth.** (See John 14:12)

You also have a personal advantage: the God in you empowers you to walk in supernatural victories as a new creation in Christ.

Again, I do **not** say that there is no God or Holy Spirit; but that the Holy Spirit is the LORD All-Mighty, God, dwelling in you. Amen!

SUMMARY

1. God is Spirit; and the 'Spirit of God' is God.
2. The Holy Spirit is Jehovah. This is the One who lives in us – God, Jehovah.
3. Because we are God's temples, God Himself (who is Spirit, a holy Spirit) lives in us.
4. The Holy Spirit is God the Father at work on earth.
5. The Holy Spirit is the Power of God at work in us.
6. The Holy Spirit was the Father in Jesus Christ.
7. The Spirit of God is the Breath of God.
8. The fact that God dwells in you does not mean you have become God or can ever be. You are still who you are (a man).
9. The fact that God lives in you is not a guarantee for earthly pleasantries, riches or glories.
10. The power of the All-Mighty is at your disposal to do greater works for Him here on earth.
11. God is living in you to exercise His authority at His will, as He wills, to His Glory THROUGH you.
12. The Holy Spirit is God All-Mighty living in you.

CONCLUSION

The Bible says in 2Corinthians 5:17 that if we are in Christ, we have become a new creation. Ephesians 2:10 further tells us that we have been re-created for good works. We have a new life in Christ.

Also, in Christ, evil, misfortunes and accidents are not our portion. Yet, these confront us daily. To overcome them, you need to make use of your spiritual sense organs. Every one of your natural sense organs has spiritual uses; you must know, and use them accordingly.

Very fortunately for us, the LORD we serve has all power over everything, both in Heaven and here on earth. And He has generously given that same 'exousia' power to us to rule the earth.

> *... from **Jesus Christ, who** is the faithful witness, and the first begotten of the dead, and the prince of the kings of the earth. Unto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood, And **has <u>made</u> us kings and priests** unto God and his Father ...*
> *(Revelation 1:5-6)*

We are both kings and priests onto God here on earth; and we are to dominate the earth and bring it under our control. Every power is subject to us; as we are subject to Christ. Everyone born of God is supposed to reign in life. I am supposed to rule in life; so are you. But let us not forget that our boast is in the finished work of Christ Jesus.

> *It is true that through the sin of one man death began to rule because of that one man. But how much greater is the result of what was done by the one man, Jesus Christ!* ***All who receive God's abundant grace and are freely put right with him will rule in life through Christ.*** *(Romans 5:17)*

You are to rule – not in death or in Heaven, *but in life*. Behold your exousia power and take charge of your territories.

I believe by now you understand better the life of our anchor Jesus Christ – how he lived; and lived in supernatural victories. It was not because Jesus was the Son of God; He usually addressed himself as the Son of Man. Graciously, the same Holy Spirit, who empowered Christ our Lord to live such a life, lives in you also– to empower you.

How do you now walk on in victory? First be aware; then develop the consciousness of living a victorious life in Christ; a life inspired by the Holy Spirit who is in you. He gives you everything: life (Galatians 5:25), love (Romans 15:30), wisdom (Job 32:8), unity (Ephesians 4:3) and so much more! And this is the reason you need more of Him in your life than you need yourself.

Every day, if you are conscious of the fact that the Holy Spirit is God, and that God lives in you, how blessed you are!

If you have accepted Jesus Christ as your LORD and Saviour, you already have the Holy Spirit (God) in you; but if you are not sure, just **ask** for Him. God is ready to give you His Spirit freely; even now! Just **ask**!

If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children: how much more shall your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask him? (Luke 11:13)

Ask God to give you His Holy Spirit if you are not sure you already have Him in you. Just pray this prayer: *Dear God, please give me your Holy Spirit. Thank you Holy Spirit for coming into my life. Please help me to know you. In Jesus name. Amen.*

Remember, God in you does not exempt you from the challenges of life. What it does for you is support you to overcome those challenges. The joy is that you have the All-Mighty God living in you, empowering you to overcome the world and all evil.

You are of God, little children, and have overcome them: ***because greater is he [Christ / God] that is in you****, than he that is in the world. (1John 4:4) [Emphasis mine.]*

There is no champion without a contest or a fight. So also in our daily lives, we will face adversaries, but in all things, we are more than conquerors through Christ Jesus our LORD. We are more than conquerors even IN our trials; not outside them.

Nay, IN all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us. (Romans 8:37)

Ephesians 3:10 says that God has planned to reveal His truth through His Church, and I am glad to be part of it. Are you also a member of God's family?

If you're not, there is one simple thing you need to do. **You must *believe* Jesus Christ and *receive* Him as your LORD and Saviour**.

The truth is that you cannot enjoy the amazing privileges you have read in this book – like walking in exousia – unless you are born again. Of a truth also, you are not saved if you are not born again. Just **believe** Jesus Christ and **accept** Him as your LORD and Saviour right now to become a child of God.

1 John 5: 5 says, "Who can defeat the world? *Only the person who believes* that Jesus is the Son of God."

If you believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God, who died and God raised him again to life, please pray:

Dear merciful God, I thank you.

LORD Jesus, please forgive me all my sins.

LORD Jesus, today, I accept you as my LORD and Saviour.

Wash me from all my sins. Come into my life and live in me.

Give me your Holy Spirit - to help me live for you.

Thank you LORD Jesus for saving me. Amen.

Beloved, you are saved! Now you are a child of God! You are a member of God's family – an original child of God. Praise the LORD! Now you have the Holy Spirit, God dwelling in you. Hallelujah! Please go to the

nearest Church and get baptized. You must be baptized! Seek spiritual guidance from a near-by Church or Pastor if you have prayed the prayer above – so they can help you to grow in Christ. Don't be afraid to go there. I assure you that they will gladly welcome you. Please go right now. God bless you!

Now enjoy the fruit of your new life in Christ. No more accidents. Use your spiritual sense organs and the 'exousia' power Jesus Christ gave you over all the 'dunamis' power of Satan. Enjoy the abundant life Jesus Christ gave you as an original child of God. Live your new life empowered by the God in you.

I encourage you to share this truth with your friends. Recommend "God in Me" to them. God bless you.

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GOD IN ME
(THE HOLY SPIRIT)

Do you know that no event happens by accident; you can know everything before it happens?
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